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Wilson Foundation Announces Appointment of David Beach as President and CEO

BATON ROUGE – Huey and Angelina Wilson Foundation and its Board of Trustees are pleased to announce the appointment of David M. Beach as President and Chief Executive Officer. Former President Daniel J. Bevan will remain as a Trustee of the Foundation following his retirement at the end of 2018.

"The Board of Trustees warmly and enthusiastically welcomes David in joining the talented team at Huey and Angelina Wilson Foundation," said J. H. Campbell, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Trustees. "The mission of the Foundation is timeless, and with David's leadership we know the future remains very promising for the thousands of beneficiaries that the Foundation serves with its resources."

Beach is a native of Baton Rouge and a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He served most recently as a Vice President in the Trust Department of Hancock Whitney Bank serving clients throughout South Louisiana. His investment and fiduciary experience, as well as his involvement in the Baton Rouge community through board service and leadership with several non-profit organizations, will serve him and the Foundation well into the future. Beach's appointment followed a months-long executive search process.

"I am humbled and honored to have been chosen as the next leader of an organization that has greatly impacted the lives of so many in the metropolitan Baton Rouge region," Beach said. "We will continue the legacy of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson by building upon the momentum that Dan and the entire Foundation team have created and continuing targeted investments in human services, education, healthcare, and prison reentry throughout the 10-parish capital region."

The Foundation is also pleased to announce the promotion of Jan S. Ross to Executive Vice President—Philanthropy. Ross has served the Foundation since 2000 and will lead all engagements with the various philanthropic, community and nonprofit partners of the Foundation.

About the Huey and Angelina Wilson Foundation

Huey and Angelina Wilson established the Foundation with a focus on enriching the lives of the people of the Baton Rouge area. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson believed that communities are strengthened when people begin to see themselves as resources and find successful ways of marshaling their talents and the talents of local people and organizations to solve problems. Since 2000 the Foundation has invested more than \$45 million in causes throughout the 10-parish capital region.

The Foundation believes that for people to be self-sufficient and productive members of society they must have basic needs of healthcare and education met. Therefore, the Foundation invests in organizations and programs focused on four priority areas: human services, healthcare, education and prison reentry. In addition, the Foundation believes that the most disadvantaged – including the sick and disabled, the indigent, and the formerly incarcerated – need particular resources so they are better able to be competent and productive citizens.

Learn more on the Foundation's website at www.hawilsonfoundation.org.

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