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Southlake Foundation Welcomes Four New Members to the Board of Directors

Newmarket ON – Dave Wattling, Southlake Foundation Board Chair, is delighted to welcome four new members to the Board of Directors. Brian Bigras, Geoff Dawe, Stephen Elmer, and Diane Mason bring varied perspectives and diverse professional backgrounds that will be a tremendous asset as they provide governance support and direction to the Foundation, and move us forward with our new Strategic Plan.

These new additions join fellow board members Barbara Bellissimo, Susan Bishop, Janice Dawes, Vice Chair Diane Gajewczyk, Tatianna Hermanns, Ajit Khanna, Gord Lewis, Christopher Pfaff, Peter Van Schaik, and Jud Whiteside, as well as members from the Southlake Regional Health Centre Board of Directors, Chair Debra Dobson, President and CEO Arden Krystal, and Physicians' Council Chair Dr. Julius Toth. Together, the Board is responsible for the governance and strategy that engages our communities in support of the most urgent priorities at Southlake Regional Health Centre.

“As we developed our five-year Strategic Plan, in support of Southlake Regional Health Centre’s goals, we looked at how we can help the hospital respond to the challenges we are facing with its outdated infrastructure, rapidly increasing volumes, and an aging population,” says Susan Mullin, President and CEO of Southlake Foundation. “We’ve developed some bold goals and our Board of Directors, each with their own unique area of expertise, will be instrumental in helping us work with our communities achieve our vision to ensure the right care is available tomorrow and in the years to come.”

As ambassadors for Southlake, the Board of Directors helps to inspire investment from our communities, support which is crucial for providing leading edge care close to home for the 1.5 million patients who rely on our hospital for care.

About Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation

Since the inception of Southlake Foundation in 1980, more than \$150 million dollars has been raised in support of Southlake Regional Health Centre. Working with members of the community, hundreds of volunteers, the Southlake Family and our incredible donors, Southlake Foundation will continue to support life-saving medical equipment, infrastructure upgrades and expansions, patient programs and staff education, all for the goal of providing leading edge care for patients and families, close to home. For more information visit: www.southlakefoundation.ca

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