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Lilly Endowment names communications director

Uronna Kloth, vice president, marketing, for Teach For America in New York, will join Lilly Endowment, effective Feb. 1, 2013, as its communications director. In this position, Kloth succeeds Gretchen Wolfram, who retired from the Endowment in September after 20 years of service.

A June 2004 *cum laude* graduate of Harvard University, Kloth, who goes by Ronni, also served stints as chief of staff to Wendy Kopp, CEO and founder of Teach For America, during her six-year tenure with the organization. During this time, she also served as a managing director overseeing the recruitment of Teach For America corps members at dozens of top colleges and universities across the country.

In announcing this appointment, N. Clay Robbins, Endowment president and CEO, stated, "The Endowment is doubly fortunate to have benefitted from the considerable talents, judgment and public relations skills of Gretchen Wolfram for some two decades and to have found someone to follow in her footsteps with the intellect, communication abilities and character of Ronni Kloth. We are most eager for her arrival in February."

The Indianapolis-based Lilly Endowment is one of the country's largest private foundations, with assets of \$6.2 billion at the end of 2011. Founded in 1937 by J.K.Lilly and his two sons, Eli and J.K. Jr., with gifts of stock in their pharmaceutical enterprise, the Endowment supports its founders' interests in community development, education and religion. While gifts of stock in Eli Lilly and Company remain the financial bedrock of the Endowment, it is a separate entity from the company, with a distinct governing board, staff and location.