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Lilly Endowment Announces New Program Directors

INDIANAPOLIS – Lilly Endowment has named two new program directors. Ted Maple, president and CEO of Early Learning Indiana, and Susan Haber, an attorney with employment and consulting experience in the youth and child-welfare arenas in the public and private sectors, will work primarily with the Endowment’s programs in education and youth development.

Maple has spent more than 20 years working to strengthen early learning efforts in Indiana. Since 2013, he has led Early Learning Indiana, a nonprofit early childhood education provider and organization that supports and advocates for expansion and improvement of early childhood education programs in Indiana. From 2005 to 2013, Maple directed United Way of Central Indiana’s Success By 6/Education initiative, which focused on child care quality, literacy and school-improvement efforts in the region. He began his education career in the classroom, teaching kindergarten and first grade in M.S.D. of Pike Township in Indianapolis.

A native of Indianapolis, Maple is a graduate of the University of Indianapolis (B.S., education), Butler University (M.S., education) and Ball State University (Ph.D., early childhood education).

“Ted is widely respected and admired for his considerable expertise in early childhood education and his leadership in raising public awareness about the impact of high-quality early education opportunities on the future prospects of children,” said N. Clay Robbins, chairman, president and CEO of Lilly Endowment. “His thoughtful and congenial approach to his work is exemplary, and he will greatly enhance the Endowment’s work in education and youth development.”

Maple will join the Endowment staff in October.

Haber brings to the Endowment two decades of experience working with academic, nonprofit and governmental organizations, including La Plaza in Indianapolis, the American Camp Association and the state of Indiana’s Bureau of Child Development. A former law clerk to Sarah Evans Barker, Senior Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana, Haber is principal with Nonprofit Systems Solutions Consulting Firm. She has worked as a consultant for the Endowment’s youth programs and its Comprehensive Counseling Initiative for Indiana public school corporations and charter schools.

A native of Plymouth, Ind., Haber is a graduate of Purdue University (B.A., philosophy), Indiana University (M.A., philanthropic studies), and University of Wisconsin Law School.

“Susan has impressive analytical abilities and substantial experience in education, youth development and other nonprofit organizations, said Robbins. “With her engaging personality and passion for helping children and youth find paths to successful futures, she will be an excellent addition to the Endowment’s staff.”

Haber will join the Endowment staff in September.

About Lilly Endowment Inc.

Lilly Endowment Inc. is an Indianapolis-based, private philanthropic foundation created in 1937 by J. K. Lilly and his sons, J.K. Jr. and Eli, through gifts of stock in their pharmaceutical business, Eli Lilly and Company. While those gifts remain the financial bedrock of the Endowment, the Endowment is a separate entity from the company, with a distinct governing board, staff and location. In keeping with the founders’ wishes, the Endowment supports the causes of community development, education and religion and maintains a special commitment to its hometown, Indianapolis, and home state, Indiana.