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MORRIS FOUNDATION APPOINTS NEW DIRECTOR

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. – At the recent Annual Meeting of the Ralph K. Morris Foundation, **Daryn McBeth** was appointed to a three-year term on the Board of Directors. Mr. McBeth is the Director of State Affairs & Industry Relations at Land O’Lakes, Inc. He is responsible for developing the Land O’Lakes strategy for state-level government relations, establishing and maintaining relationships with industry associations, providing leadership on grassroots activities and LOLPAC distributions/fundraising, and facilitating the activities of the Policies and Resolutions Committee.

Previously Mr. McBeth was President of the Minnesota Agri-Growth Council, where he worked for almost 10 years. Prior to working for the Agri-Growth Council, Mr. McBeth worked in Washington, D.C., as an attorney at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, as a Congressional aide, and as a lobbyist.

“We are very excited to have Daryn McBeth join the Board and help us grow the Foundation so that we can support the many emerging cooperators through cooperative education,” said Chair Chris Morris.

Two incumbent directors **Curt Eischens**, Director on the CHS Board of Directors and **Brent Bostrom**, Vice President and General Counsel at GROWMARK were also appointed to another three-year term at the Annual Meeting. Current officers **Chris Morris**, **William Nelson**, **Dave Swanson** and **Jayne Wilgus** were re-elected to a one year term as Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, respectively.

The Ralph K. Morris Foundation was established in 2001 to carry on the legacy of a great cooperative leader, attorney Ralph Morris. The objective of the Foundation is to provide development opportunities for emerging leaders expressing interest in applying and advancing the principles of cooperation, and in promoting farmland preservation, land stewardship and sustainability. For more information on the Foundation, please visit their website at www.ralphkmorrisfoundation.org.