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## **Yawkey Foundations Name Four New Members to Board of Trustees**

*All four trustees have professional backgrounds in health and human services, nonprofit finance and management, and extensive nonprofit board leadership experience.*

Boston – October 17, 2017 – [The Yawkey Foundations](#) today announced the appointment of four new members to the Board of Trustees. Effective immediately, the newly named trustees include Dr. Vanessa Calderón-Rosado, Dr. Myechia Minter-Jordan, MD, MBA, Maureen H. Bleday, and George R. Neble, CPA.

“Over the past year, the Yawkey Foundations Board of Trustees has been involved in a search to find new trustees to add to the expertise and depth of the current board and to continue the philanthropic legacy of Tom and Jean Yawkey,” said John Harrington, Chairman of the Yawkey Foundations. “We are pleased to announce that we have appointed four new trustees to our board. All are deeply involved in the community, and throughout their professional lives all have demonstrated a commitment to the values shared by the Yawkey Foundations. We welcome them and look forward to their leadership and new perspectives.”

Dr. Vanessa Calderón-Rosado is the Chief Executive Officer at Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción, where she has served since 2003. Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción, also known as IBA, is a well-respected community development corporation in Boston’s South End that aims to empower individuals to improve their lives through affordable housing and supportive programming. Previously, Dr. Calderón-Rosado was a senior research associate at Brandeis University’s National Center on Women and Aging, and holds a Ph.D. in Gerontology from the University of Massachusetts at Boston. Dr. Calderón-Rosado currently serves as a member of Mayor Walsh’s Housing Task Force and serves on a number of nonprofit boards including Franklin Square House Foundation and Greater Boston Latino Network.

Dr. Myechia Minter-Jordan currently serves as the President and CEO of The Dimock Center in Roxbury, MA. The Dimock Center is nationally recognized as a model for the integrated delivery of comprehensive health and human services in an urban community - providing vital services and programs to thousands of Boston families annually. Dr. Minter-Jordan was trained at Brown University and Johns Hopkins University, and prior to becoming President and CEO she served as The Dimock Center’s Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Minter-Jordan was recently appointed to the Governor’s Black Advisory Commission and is Co-chair of its Wellness Subcommittee. She is a current member of the Boston Public Health Commission, and serves on a number of councils and non-profit boards, including the Harvard School of Public Health Primary Care Innovation Center Council and The Boston Foundation.

Maureen H. Bleday has been with the Yawkey Foundations since 2006, serving as Executive Vice President of Programs/Operations and General Counsel. In her role at the Foundations, Bleday manages the Foundations’ grants program and coordinates the legal and compliance issues. Mrs. Bleday began her career as a corporate and real estate attorney, and prior to joining the Yawkey Foundations, she was the Director of Government and Community Relations at the Boston Red Sox. Mrs. Bleday has served in leadership roles on the boards of several not-for-profit organizations.

George Neble, CPA recently retired from his role as the managing partner of Ernst & Young’s Boston office. In his role at Ernst & Young, Mr. Neble oversaw an office of nearly 2,000 employees and represented Ernst & Young with key business leadership organizations including the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Massachusetts Business Roundtable. Mr. Neble is the Chairman of the

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Massachusetts Society of CPA's. He serves as Chair of the Board of Mass Mentoring Partnership, and is a member of the boards of United Way of Massachusetts Bay, Wonderfund and BELL.

### **About the Yawkey Foundations**

The Yawkey Foundations trace their origins back over eight decades to the philanthropic commitments of Tom and Jean Yawkey. With great concern for the forgotten and underserved, Tom and Jean Yawkey took careful steps to ensure that their legacy would live on through the work of the Yawkey Foundations. They were particularly interested in supporting organizations that encouraged educational opportunities, improved health care, enhanced human service programs, provided youth and amateur athletic opportunities, celebrated arts and cultural endeavors for families, and valued conservation efforts. Since 1977, the Yawkey Foundations have donated nearly \$450 million to hundreds of nonprofit organizations.

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