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Wes Patterson Joins the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute as New Chief Development Officer

Simi Valley, CA — Today the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute (RRPFI) announced that Wes Patterson has been appointed Chief Development Officer. Mr. Patterson will be responsible for building and maintaining strategic relationships and setting and executing RRPFI's philanthropic and revenue-generating strategy, thereby extending RRPFI's long-term financial strength and ability to advance the legacy and principles of Ronald Reagan.



"Wes will be a tremendous enterprise leader and asset to the Foundation and Institute," said David Trulio, President and CEO of RRPFI. "In addition to his deep appreciation of President Reagan's accomplishments and values, Wes brings extensive experience as a trusted relationship builder and a datadriven strategist. He will play a key role in taking the Foundation to unprecedented heights."

Mr. Patterson is a 22-year veteran of higher education and nonprofit fundraising. Immediately prior to his appointment at the Reagan Foundation and Institute, Mr. Patterson served in numerous positions at the

University of Southern California for over a decade, most recently as Associate Vice President, University Advancement and Strategic Initiatives. In that role, he launched and managed large-scale programs, helping to drive hundreds of millions of dollars in donations for the University. A native of Simi Valley, CA, since 1994, Mr. Patterson began his career in nonprofit leadership with the Boy Scouts of America.

"It is my distinct honor to join the Reagan Foundation and Institute," said Mr. Patterson. "I strongly believe in its mission and look forward to combining my professional background and interests with my passion for President Reagan's principles."

About the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute (RRPFI) is the sole nonprofit organization created by President Reagan charged with advancing his legacy and principles – individual liberty, economic opportunity, freedom and democracy, peace through strength, and national pride.

RRPFI is a globally recognized nonpartisan organization based in Simi Valley, CA, with a leading policy team in Washington, DC – the Ronald Reagan Institute – that collectively delivers impactful public affairs programming, policy convenings and projects of national and international significance, and distinctive educational initiatives.

In addition, RRPFI sustains the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, the largest and most visited presidential library, which routinely hosts major special exhibitions. An hour from Los Angeles International Airport, RRPFI's Simi Valley campus sits on 400 acres, serves as the final resting place of America's 40th President and former First Lady Nancy Reagan, displays a chunk of the Berlin Wall, and houses the plane President Reagan flew as Air Force One to 26 countries. Onsite are the Reagan Center for Public Affairs, Presidential Learning Center, Air Force One Pavilion, and the Reagan Leadership Academy. More information is available at www.reaganfoundation.org.

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