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Dear Colleagues:

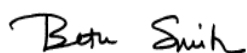
On behalf of the Hyams trustees and staff, I want to share with you two important changes at the Foundation. The Hyams trustees are very pleased to announce the election of Marti Wilson-Taylor as the Foundation's new board chair. Marti has served as a trustee since 2006 and has chaired the board's Governance Committee. She is the past President and CEO of the YWCA Boston and currently serves as the Chief Administrative Officer of the Nelson Mandela Children's Fund USA. Marti also serves on the boards of South Africa Partners, Pine Manor College, the Cloud Foundation and the Massachusetts Health Council.

The trustees also want to acknowledge and thank outgoing board chair, Barbara Casey, for her thoughtful, dedicated and strategic leadership over the past three years. Barbara will continue to serve as a trustee and as a member of the Governance Committee.

We also are pleased to announce that Maria Mulkeen will be joining the Foundation in late July, 2011, as its new program officer in the affordable housing area. In this capacity, Maria will lead the Foundation's strategy development and grantmaking focused on increasing the supply of affordable housing, working closely with the Foundation's housing production/preservation, transit-oriented development and public policy grantees. Maria brings extensive experience in affordable housing development and project management to the Foundation. Most recently, she has served as Senior Project Manager for the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corporation (JPNDC), where she spearheaded six different affordable and mixed-income housing developments. Maria also brings to Hyams a strong civic engagement background and experience working with a variety of local civic and resident groups. Prior to joining JPNDC, Maria worked as a project manager at Urban Edge Housing Corporation, Tent City Corporation and the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative. She has a Masters in City Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a BA from the University of New Hampshire. Maria grew up in the Boston area and has resided in Roxbury for the past ten years.

We know you will join us in welcoming Marti in her new role and Maria to the local foundation community.

Best regards,



Elizabeth B. Smith
Executive Director