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Association for Healthcare Philanthropy Recognizes J. William Kinard, Jr. with Highest Distinction — The AHP Fellow

WASHINGTON, D.C., (October 2, 2008) – The Association for Healthcare Philanthropy (AHP) recognized William Kinard, Jr., of GHS Children's Hospital, for achieving the AHP Fellow designation (FAHP) at the AHP International Conference in Chicago. Kinard is in the 33rd class of Fellows to be honored.

Elevation to the status of Fellow in AHP is the highest level of achievement in the field of health care philanthropy. Conferring of the Fellow designation is not so much an award, as it is recognition of individual professional distinction, well earned through dedication and continual self-advancement.

J. William Kinard, Jr., FAHP is the director of philanthropy and partnership at GHS Children's Hospital in Greenville, S.C. He has been in philanthropy for 14 years with the last eight in health care philanthropy. Bill is an active member of AHP, serving since 2002 on the AHP Southeast Regional Cabinet as education and certification chairs and state liaison. He also has chaired the 2007 and 2009 AHP Southeast Regional Conference education committees and previously served as track dean and evaluation chair. Bill is a member of the AHP Journal Advisory Council and a frequent AHP conference speaker. Bill has served several local charities in a variety of volunteer and consultative roles and is chairman of the Pastoral Council at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Greenville, SC.

The Association for Healthcare Philanthropy is dedicated to the advancement of health care institutions and organizations through the enhancement of its members' performance and professionalism. To this end, AHP sets professional standards for health care development officers, offers comprehensive educational programs to help them achieve those standards, and examines them to determine who meets those standards. Professionals who successfully complete the Fellow examination earn the designation "Fellow of the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy," or FAHP.

Successful applicants must have earned the Certified Fundraising Executive (CFRE) designation, have at least eight years of experience in raising and managing philanthropic funds for a health care organization, and pledge in writing to adhere to the AHP Statement of Professional Standards and Conduct and to uphold the AHP-endorsed Donor Bill of Rights. To achieve the status of Fellow, applicants must pass a written and oral exam.

AHP, established in 1967, is a not-for-profit organization whose 4,800+ members manage philanthropic programs in 2,000 of the nation's 3,400 not-for-profit health care providers.

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