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### **Association for Healthcare Philanthropy Recognizes Charles Troutman with Highest Distinction – the AHP Fellow**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**, (November 30, 2009) – The Association for Healthcare Philanthropy (AHP) recognized Charles Troutman of WellStar Foundation, Atlanta, Ga., for achieving the AHP Fellow designation (FAHP). Troutman is in the 35<sup>th</sup> 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.

Charles Troutman, CFRE, FAHP, has worked in the not-for-profit sector for 33 years. Thirty of those years were spent with the American Heart Association where he raised over \$100 million. In 2009 he joined the WellStar Foundation as executive director for campaigns, which includes the Foundation's major and planned gift programs. Troutman is a graduate of Bob Jones University. He is married to Angie Troutman and has two daughters.

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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