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THE FRICK PITTSBURGH ANNOUNCES ELECTION OF NEW BOARD OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

PITTSBURGH, PA, May 6, 2019— At its recent annual meeting, the Board of Trustees of The Frick Pittsburgh elected officers for 2019-2020 and three new Trustees. David Burstin was elected to serve as the new Board Chair and Charles R. “Chip” Burke, Jr. and Virginia Burden Hart were elected to serve as Vice Chairs. Re-elected as Board Officers were Nancy L. Barry, Treasurer, and Steven M. Pavsner, Secretary.

The Board includes Family Trustees (descendants of Henry Clay Frick) and Term Trustees. Robert M. Hernandez and Bonnie VanKirk were elected to serve as Term Trustees and Isabel Trafton was elected to serve as a Family Trustee.

Newly elected Chair of the Board of Trustees **David Burstin** has served on the Frick Board as a Term Trustee since 2011. The founding partner of Brand Burstin & Runnette, an insurance firm that works in fringe benefits and estate and financial planning, Mr. Burstin’s extensive industry-related activities include service on the Board of Directors of Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company and presiding over the Pittsburgh Life Underwriters Association the Estate Planning Council of Pittsburgh. Mr. Burstin has been very active in the Pittsburgh community for several decades. He has served as Chairman of the Board of West Penn Hospital, President of the West

Penn Hospital Foundation, and Chairman of the Board of the United Jewish Foundation of Greater Pittsburgh. In addition, Mr. Burstin has served on the boards of Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, Pittsburgh Public Theater, and the United Way of Allegheny County, among many other community organizations. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Penn State, and a Masters in Financial Services from the American College of Financial Services.

Term Trustee **Robert M. Hernandez** is Lead Director of Chubb Limited, Lead Director of Eastman Chemical Company and a member of the Board of Directors of the BlackRock Open End Mutual Funds. He currently also serves on the boards of the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. A magna cum laude graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, Mr. Hernandez received an M.B.A. degree in Finance from the Wharton School of Finance & Commerce, University of Pennsylvania, where he finished first in his class.

Family Trustee **Isabel Trafton**, a poet, is a descendant of Henry Clay Frick.

Term Trustee **Bonnie VanKirk** is a retired marketing executive whose résumé includes experience at USA Today and in the Magazine Division of TIME-WARNER. As USA Today's marketing manager for a three-state area, she was part of the publication's launch team for Pennsylvania. A former Mount Lebanon Commissioner, Ms. VanKirk holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Chatham University. She currently serves on the boards of the Carnegie Science Center, Chatham University and YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh.

ABOUT THE FRICK PITTSBURGH

Located on the Pittsburgh estate of late-19th-century industrialist Henry Clay Frick, The Frick Pittsburgh is the steward of collections left as a legacy to the people of Pittsburgh by Frick's daughter, Helen Clay Frick. The permanent collections include fine and decorative arts, cars, carriages, historic objects, and buildings. The Frick experience includes The Frick Art Museum, the Car and Carriage Museum, Clayton, the Frick family Gilded Age mansion, and six acres of beautifully landscaped lawns and gardens. Also included are an Education Center, the Frick children's playhouse (designed by renowned architects Alden & Harlow), a large working greenhouse (also designed by Alden & Harlow), The Café at the Frick, and the Grable Visitor Center, which houses the Frick Museum Store.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Frick Pittsburgh is located at 7227 Reynolds Street in Pittsburgh's Point Breeze neighborhood. Free parking is available in the Frick's off-street lot or along adjacent streets.

The Frick is open 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., Tuesday–Sunday; 10:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. Friday; and is closed Mondays and major holidays. The public should call 412-371-0600 for information, or visit the Frick online at TheFrickPittsburgh.org.

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