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SUSAN A. NELSON APPOINTED TO CLAREMONT UNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM BOARD OF OVERSEERS

CLAREMONT, Calif. — The appointment of **Susan A. Nelson** to the Claremont University Consortium (CUC) Board of Overseers was announced today by Robert Walton, CEO, and Robert E. Gipson, Board Chairman.

In announcing her appointment, Bob Walton stated, “Susan Nelson brings to the CUC Board impressive experience as an educator and leader in private secondary education. Susan understands the issues facing liberal arts colleges and the needs of students as they prepare for college. During her tenure at Webb, she has advanced every aspect of the school’s program facilities and operations. She will be a tremendous asset to the CUC Board of Overseers.”

Susan Nelson is presently Head of Schools for The Webb Schools, and has been affiliated with The Webb Schools since 1988. Leading the schools’ three affiliated educational institutions—Webb School of California for boys; Vivian Webb School for girls; and the Raymond M. Alf Museum of Paleontology, she oversees all functions of the organization to ensure the level of education consistently meets Webb’s high standard of excellence.

Nelson began her affiliation with Webb at Vivian Webb School where she was head from 1988 to 1991. Throughout her years at Webb, Ms. Nelson has occasionally taught classes in the English department. She also directly supports Webb students by developing and sponsoring a mentorship program that offers them further academic assistance, guidance, and encouragement. Ms. Nelson has also been responsible for generating funds for The Webb Schools. She competed a \$21 M capital endowment campaign in the 90’s, and heads a current \$40M campaign for endowment and the campus master plan.

Ms. Nelson graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, studying at the Wagner College on Staten Island and the University of Chicago. She received her Master of Arts degree in English from New York University.

In addition to her role as Head of Schools, Ms. Nelson is currently vice chair of the board of directors of The Association of Boarding Schools (TABS) and serves on the board of directors of the Secondary School Admission Test Board (SSATB), on the advisory board of Cal West, a teacher recruitment

agency, and on the board of directors of the California Association of Independent Schools (CAIS) of which she is a past vice president. Ms. Nelson also serves as an accrediting team chair for the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

In reflecting on joining the CUC Board of Overseers, Nelson stated, “Claremont University Consortium and The Claremont Colleges are exceptional institutions of private higher education, and it’s an honor to be asked to serve them and to participate in the broad and important educational issues and programs they impact.”

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Claremont University Consortium (CUC) is the central coordinating institution of The Claremont Colleges. As such, CUC provides common services for the internationally renowned cluster of two graduate and five undergraduate colleges serving more than 6,000 students. The consortium offers the expansive physical facilities and wide selection of courses, faculty, student services and extracurricular activities of a university, and the personalized education of small private colleges. The Consortium includes Pomona College (established in 1887), Claremont Graduate University (1925), Scripps College (1926), Claremont McKenna College (1946), Harvey Mudd College (1955), Pitzer College (1963), and the Keck Graduate Institute of Applied Life Science (1997) and Claremont University Consortium (1925).