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**Derek Davis Elected As New Cambridge College  
Board of Trustees Chair**

**CAMBRIDGE**— The Board of Trustees of Cambridge College today announced the election of Derek Davis as its next Chair, effective immediately. Mr. Davis, who is an attorney at Greenberg Traurig in Boston, has been a member of the Cambridge College Board of Trustees since 2003.

Mr. Davis is a business attorney whose legal experience covers a broad spectrum of corporate transactional matters, including venture capital financings, private placements of securities, mergers and acquisitions, public project finance, and other corporate transactions for a variety of industries. His practice also involves counseling individuals and entities in corporate and public policy related matters involving non-profit institutions and institutions of higher education.

Mr. Davis is a "Double Terrier," having earned two degrees from Boston University -- a B.A., *magna cum laude*, in 1986 from the College of Arts and Sciences and a J.D. from the School of Law in 1989. In addition to his service at Cambridge College, Mr. Davis is an active member of the Greater Boston community serving on a number of boards, including the Board of Overseers of Boston University, the Board of Trustees of the USS Constitution Museum, the Corporation of the Perkins School for the Blind, the Corporation of Milton Hospital, and the Board of Directors of Greater Boston Legal Services. Involved in political activities since college, Mr. Davis remains active in state and national politics, currently serving as a deputy counsel to the Massachusetts State Democratic Party.

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Mr. Davis has this to say regarding his election: "I am reminded on occasions such as these of what an old friend once told me. He said that life was a journey, with rough roads and smooth trails. And like any journey, we often stop for direction, but sometimes the trails have been so clearly marked by previous travelers, that it makes our way easier to find. Then there are those who have a clear sense of direction and where they are headed. And sometimes a good samaritan passing by is all we really need to help us on our way. And like any journey, one can often cover more ground and withstand the more difficult terrain with company of a friend," he said.

"Cambridge College has been our journey," Mr. Davis continued. "We have been blessed with leadership of past Chairmen like Jonathan Larsen, Charlie Desmond and Ron Homer, who have shared this journey and allowed our travels to be lighter. To each of them we owe a debt of gratitude. Particularly Jonathan Larsen, who has led us through one of the most challenging times in our College's history," he said. Mr. Davis replaces the most recent Chairman, Mr. Larsen, who stepped down from his position last month after six years of service as the Chair. Mr. Larsen has been a Cambridge College Trustee since 1985.

"The journey ahead presents great challenges in higher education, but I will promise you that we will rise to meet each road and each challenge together," said Mr. Davis. "This is our journey, this is our College and this is our mission. It is with a humble spirit, a stout heart and a grateful prayer that I look forward to the days ahead on our journey together."

Founded in 1971, Cambridge College is a private, non-profit institution dedicated to providing academically excellent, time-efficient, and cost-effective higher education for a diverse population of working adults for whom those opportunities may have been limited or denied. Cambridge College has sites in Cambridge, Springfield, and Lawrence, MA; Memphis, TN, Chesapeake, VA; Augusta, GA; Ontario, CA; and San Juan, Puerto Rico.

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