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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **LEADERSHIP ANNE ARUNDEL HIRES KATHLEEN NIEBERDING FOR DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT**

ANNAPOLIS, MD (February 1, 2009) – Leadership Anne Arundel (LAA) has hired Kathleen M. Nieberding for the new Director of Development position. As Director of Development, Kathy is responsible for raising funds for LAA's Executive Leadership Series, Flagship and Neighborhood Leadership Academy programs. Also, she will secure sponsorships for LAA's three signature events: Homecoming, the Community Trustee Awards and the Tribute to Community Leadership. The position was added during LAA's 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary to help the organization grow and to meet the changing needs of its graduates and members.

Kathy Nieberding is a well-known and successful political fundraiser and campaign manager for the Mayor, County and City officials, and teachers. She is a prominent charitable fundraiser and is a co-founder of the Annapolis Community Foundation, a resource for local philanthropy. She served as Government Relations Director for the City of Annapolis and was a 15-year lobbyist for civil rights, community health organizations, and women's groups.

Kathy has a Master's degree in Legal, Ethical & Historical Studies from University of Baltimore, and a Management and Business degree from Towson University. Since starting at LAA, Kathy's hard work and connections have brought in new donors and sponsors, and she helped raise close to \$43,000 for LAA's 15th Year Anniversary Homecoming Gala.

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Leadership Anne Arundel builds, connects, and celebrates community leaders through training, information and networking. Leadership Anne Arundel's mission is to provide people of diverse backgrounds with the education, resources and networks necessary to become successful proactive leaders.

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