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Barbara Harrell and Richard Sisisky Join The Community Foundation as Trustees

They replace retiring members Bill Brinton and Chuck Hyman

JACKSONVILLE, Florida – November 3, 2016—Barbara Harrell, longtime community activist and volunteer, and Richard Sisisky, president and owner of The Shircliff & Sisisky Company, will join The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida’s Board of Trustees, effective January 2017. Each will serve for a three-year term. They replace retiring trustees Bill Brinton and Charles Hyman, who will complete their maximum three terms of service in 2016.

“We are so pleased to welcome both Barbara and Richard as trustees,” said Board Chairman Deborah Pass Durham. “As we move forward in the next phase of our work to strengthen philanthropy and build a better community, their deep experience and civic acumen will be of tremendous value to our board and we look forward to their participation.”

Barbara Harrell, an active community volunteer, is a founding member and past president of The Women’s Giving Alliance and a trustee of The Cummer Museum of Art and Gardens. Formerly, she served on the boards of the Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission, the Daniel Foundation and JCCI. With an early focus on public education, she served as campaign chair of the community effort in 1987 to pass the \$199 million referendum which built and renovated schools, served as Chair of the Mayor’s Education Council and served on a number of task forces and committees appointed by the School Board and the Superintendent of Schools. She was a 2011 honoree of the Mayor’s Commission on the Status of Women.

Richard Sisisky has been a prominent member of the business and civic community in Jacksonville for three decades. He has served in numerous leadership positions, including the boards of Stein Mart, Inc. where he is the lead director; Baptist Health Systems, Jacksonville; The Bolles School; WJCT; United Way of Northeast Florida; Jewish Federation of Jacksonville (president); and the Jewish Foundation of Jacksonville (president). He is the founding chair of the Jacksonville Children’s Commission and the Public Policy Institute of Jacksonville University. Mr. Sisisky was a 1999 Humanitarian Award Recipient of the National Conference for Community & Justice, and was recognized as the 2015 Florida Hospital Association Trustee of the Year.

Ms. Harrell and Mr. Sisisky will join Martha Baker, Dr. Solomon Brotman, Peggy Bryan, the Honorable Brian J. Davis, Michael DuBow, Deborah Pass Durham, Robert Hill, Jr., Paul Perez, Madeline Scales-Taylor, Ryan Schwartz, Dori Walton, Tracey Westbrook and Jim Winston as trustees of The Community Foundation.

About The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida

The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida (www.jaxcf.org), Florida’s oldest and largest community foundation, works to stimulate philanthropy to build a better community. The Foundation



helps donors invest their philanthropic gifts wisely, helps nonprofits serve the region effectively, and helps people come together to make the community a better place. Now in its 52nd year, the Foundation has assets of \$313 million and has made grants of nearly \$369 million since 1964.

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