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Valerie Jarrett is Vice-Chair of the University of Chicago Board of Trustees. She is also Chair of the University of Chicago Medical Center Board and Chair of the Executive Committee of the board. In addition, Ms. Jarrett is President and CEO of the Habitat Company. She joined the Habitat Company, a real estate development and management company, in 1995. From 1995 to 2003, Jarrett served as Chair of the Chicago Transit Board. Before that, she served for eight years in City of Chicago government posts, first as Deputy Corporation Counsel for Finance and Development, then as Deputy Chief of Staff for Mayor Richard M. Daley in 1991 and finally, as Commissioner of the Department of Planning and Development from 1992 through 1995. She also serves as Chair of the Board of the Chicago Stock Exchange; Vice Chair of the Executive Council of Metropolis 2020; and serves on the Board of Directors for the USG Corporation; RREEF America II; Navigant Consulting, Inc.; The Local Initiative Support Corporation; The Joyce Foundation; and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. Ms. Jarrett is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Museum of Science and Industry and Window to the World Communications Inc.

Matthew H. Williams is President and Co-Founder of Mouth Watering Media LLC, a new kind of media company that will produce online experiences to empower communities to map and share the things that matter most to them. Previous to launching this company, Mr. Williams was the Founder and the Director of the Chicago Geospatial Exchange at the Illinois Institute of Technology Stuart Graduate School of Business. The exchange was founded in 2003 to promote the profitable application of geospatial products to Chicago’s business and government communities. As Director, he was responsible for its mission focus, strategic relationships, business development, finance and budgeting, and operations. As Branch Chief of the Analytic, Research, and Technology Branch in the Water Division at the U.S. EPA Region 5 office in Chicago, he was responsible for developing and applying innovative technology-based systems to solve environmental problems. His team created and managed a software system called the Fully Integrated Environmental Location Decision Support System (FIELDS) used by more than 200 subscribers. Mr. Williams also served as an Adjunct Professor with the Illinois Institute of Technology Stuart Graduate School of Business.

Terri Haymaker is Deputy Commissioner for Planning with the City of Chicago Department of Planning and Development. Her responsibilities include leading a team of project managers in the planning and economic development activities of the downtown and surrounding neighborhoods. This includes a wide variety of activities including land use and community planning, infill redevelopment projects, business attraction and retention, design review, and zoning. Prior to her current role, she led the overall planning and redevelopment projects for the Near South area, including initiating new development and evaluating new private development proposals. Prior to working for the City of Chicago, Ms. Haymaker was the Executive Director of the Greater Northwest Development Corporation, managing the community-based redevelopment of a commercial district on the northwest side of Chicago. Ms. Haymaker is a member of the American Planning Association, AICP (American Institute of Certified Planners), Urban Land Institute, Lambda Alpha-International Land Economics Society, Friends of Downtown, and Women in Planning + Development.

Eboo Patel is the Founder and Executive Director of Interfaith Youth Core, a Chicago-based international organization that brings young people from different faith communities together to build understanding and cooperation. Patel earned his doctorate in the sociology of religion from Oxford University, where he studied on a Rhodes Scholarship. During his tenure at Oxford, he spent much of his time traveling and running interfaith youth service programs in Africa, Asia, and Europe, gathering the methods and information that have proven key to his organization. Today, Patel is a regular guest on Chicago Public Radio and a frequent contributor to the op-ed pages of the Chicago Tribune. He also has written for The Harvard Divinity School Bulletin, The Journal of Muslim Law and Culture, and National Public Radio. He has given talks all over the the world, most notably at the World Trade Center in Barcelona, the University of Cape Town, UNESCO Paris, Harvard University, the keynote speech at the Nobel Peace Prize Forum with President Jimmy Carter, and in Jordan at the personal invitation of Queen Rania. He was honored in 2005 by President Bill Clinton for his interfaith work. He is currently writing a book on the role of religious youth in the 21st century for Beacon Press.
Joe G.N. Garcia, MD, is the Lowell T. Coggeshall Professor and Chairman of the Department of Medicine at the University of Chicago where he is a leading authority on lung biology and disease; the genetics, prevention, and treatment of pulmonary edema; and the molecular biology of blood vessels. Dr. Garcia came to the University of Chicago in May, 2005, from the Johns Hopkins University where he was the David Marine Professor and Director of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine in the Department of Medicine. Dr. Garcia has authored or has co-authored more than 250 peer-reviewed publications and 25 book chapters. He serves on the editorial boards of six scientific journals, is co-editor-in-chief of the journal Microvascular Research and associate editor of the American Journal of Respiratory Cell & Molecular Biology and the Journal of Stem Cell Research. Dr. Garcia has received many awards, including the American Thoracic Society Distinguished Scientist Award, the Henry F. Christian Award for Meritorious Research from the American Federation of Medical Research and the David M. Levine Excellence in Mentoring Award from the Johns Hopkins University. He also has been a student advocate and an active supporter of minority medical and science students.

Gordon Gill, FAIA, RIBA, is a Partner with Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill Architecture, LLP in Chicago. His work emphasizes a holistic, collaborative approach to design that integrates all project disciplines. The results are performance-based designs that work symbiotically with their natural surroundings, contributing to the sustainability of cities, augmenting the built landscape, and creating an optimal user experience. Prior to founding Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill Architecture, he was an Associate Partner in the Chicago office of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill LLP. He earned masters degrees of architecture from Harvard University and the University of Texas-Arlington, and a bachelor of science from Ryerson University. He has contributed to the creation of award-winning architecture across the globe including the architectural design for the Pearl River Tower (Guangzhou, China), the master plan for the King Abdullah Economic City (north of Jeddah, Saudi Arabia), the architectural design and engineering for the Nanjing Guozi Greenland Financial Center, the design of the Shanghai Grand Real Estate Office Center (Shanghai, China), and master planning and design of the Virginia Beach Convention Center (Virginia Beach, Virginia).

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