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Dream House Adds Three to Board of Directors

Local children's charity expands its Board of Directors with the appointment of two metro-Atlanta business leaders and a pediatric pharmacist.

Snellville, Ga. (March 11, 2010) – The Dream House for Medically Fragile Children, Inc. has named Eleanor Morgan, Mark Ashe, and Tabitha Carney, PharmD to its Board of Directors.

“These wonderful individuals bring strong business acumen and a high-level clinical perspective that complement the strengths of the Dream House leadership team,” commented Laura O. Moore, Dream House Founder and CEO. “Their diverse experience will add tremendous value to our Board of Directors, and I am so pleased they have expanded their commitments to the Dream House mission in this significant way.”

Eleanor Morgan is President and CEO of **MD&E, Inc.**, a Norcross, Ga. information technology business processes and solutions consulting firm. She is also co-founder of the Johns Creek, Ga. event-planning company, **Occasions**. Mrs. Morgan is currently working with three other women business owners to write and publish a book, under the sponsorship of the Atlanta Women in Business (AWIB), with a release date of 2010. A corporate and individual Dream House supporter for many years, Mrs. Morgan believes that success comes from mentoring and growing others. *Gwinnett Magazine* recognized her as one of the Gwinnett (County) 2008 People to Know, and the Republican Congressional Congress honored her in 2008 for work representing the business community.

Mark Ashe is President of Atlanta-based **Echols Roofing, Siding & Home Improvement**, named a “Best Pick” 12 years in a row by *Home Reports*. He, too, is a long-time, monthly corporate and individual Dream House supporter. Starting out his career in law-enforcement, he has spent the last 25 years in his current role. Mr. Ashe and other members of the Georgia Roofers and Sheet Metal Association pooled monies and started an independent insurance trust fund for workers compensation coverage, which has run successfully the past 12 years. He served on that board four years, two as board chairman. Mr. Ashe is also an author, readying a new book on attaining financial independence, in which the Dream House organization will be highlighted in the charitable giving chapter.

Tabitha Carney is a Pediatric Clinical Pharmacist at **Emory University Hospital Midtown**. She received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree at the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center in Memphis, and completed her Pediatric Specialty Pharmacy Residency at the University of Tennessee Medical Center at Knoxville. In Georgia, Ms. Carney has also held positions at Columbus Regional Medical Center and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta (CHOA) at Egleston. Her career also encompasses the business side of health care, as Ms. Carney also holds separate Masters degrees in Business Administration and Science in Health Administration. Her passion is working closely with pharmacy and hospital administrations to improve patient care and to improve pharmacy and hospital workflow, particularly in the main pharmacy and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

Mrs. Morgan, Mr. Ashe and Ms. Carney join the other Dream House Board of Directors: Kelly Coker, RN, Phil Davis, Stephen K. Hill, Laurel Lucey, JD, Laura Moore, Charlie Ray, Raymer Sale and David Snell.

About Dream House for Medically Fragile Children, Inc.

Dream House is a 501(c)3 children's charity teaching families and communities how to help kids with very complex health issues live at home. Heroic medical efforts save sick and injured children who would not have previously survived, leaving some medically fragile – fully dependent upon medications, equipment and therapies. Sadly, however, families and communities find themselves unprepared, unable or even unwilling to “deal” with the reality of the complex care these children require.

A critical first step for these children (biological, adopted or foster), and their families, is access to the innovative Dream House *Family for Keeps®* Transition Care Program. With local roots, this hospital-to-home program is setting the standard for the home care of Georgia's medically fragile children. Dream House has been awarded the first and only *Children's Transition Care Centers* license in the nation, after years demonstrating the transition care model with 100 percent successful outcomes.

Since inception in 2001, via the *Family for Keeps®* Transition Care Program, the Dream House organization has served nearly 1,000 children in 46 Georgia counties. Named a *Best in America Local Independent Charity*, by the Independent Charities of America, Dream House supporters invest in a mission that uses more than 80 cents of every dollar donated to directly benefit medically fragile children and their families. *Family for Keeps®* provides a pathway for Georgia's medically fragile children to get out of institutional care into stable, single-family homes. For one-third the cost of housing these kids in hospitals or adult nursing homes, *Family for Keeps®* is the resource that enables medically fragile children to have a home, a family and a future.

Visit www.DreamHouseForKids.org for more information or call 770-717-7410.

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