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Education Foundation Elects Four New Board Members ***Members Brings Deep Experience in Cloud Computing and Education***

Sarasota, FL (April 2017) – The Education Foundation of Sarasota County announced the addition of Asim Chauhan, Britt Riner, Dr. Alok Sharma and Juan Villaveces to the Board of Directors. Each was elected to serve a three-year term. They join the current board members of Tom Koski, Stuart Henderson, Ariane Dart, Tricia Fulton, Jason Swift, Cathi Bell, John McIntyre and Kimberly Page Walker.

Chauhan is a pioneer in the software, technology outsourcing and digital media industries. He is a partner in InfoSun, a firm specializing in Cloud Computing, Decision Modeling, Neural Networks, and Expert Systems and has served in consulting roles for numerous Fortune 500 companies. In April 2010, he also acquired interest in Riskwatch International (RWI) a global provider of Risk Assessment software related consulting services and solutions to the Fortune 500 companies. Chauhan also serves on the Board of Advanced QA, member of the Board at Kol Technology, Peacock Investments and is chairman of Sitar Venture partners.

Currently the Executive Director of a national non-profit Teneo, Riner has extensive experience in advising non-profit and for-profit entities focusing on strategic planning, marketing, and organization design needs. She shares her talents as a volunteer with Honor Flight, Women's Rights Without Frontiers and is the President of The Junior League of Sarasota. Riner is an alumna of Pine View School, graduated cum laude from Duke University (BA) and received her Masters of Arts from Stanford University.

Sharma is the Chief Executive Officer of MobileNerd, cloud based SaaS (Software-as-a-Service) company that delivers virtual computing environments for education, training, and distance learning applications. Prior to this position, he has founded or served in an executive capacity with high-tech companies including NYSE traded Harris Corporation, Juniper Networks, and Hewlett Packard. Sharma received his PhD in Electrical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, holds seven patents, and has authored several articles in leading academic and trade publications.

Villaveces is a partner with Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP and is Board Certified in Real Estate Law. His practice focuses on all aspects of commercial and residential real estate. Before joining the law firm, he worked as manager of operations and in-house counsel for a national software company recognized by Inc. magazine as one of the fastest-growing privately held companies in the United States. Villaveces also serves on the Board of Directors for the Suncoast Communities Blood Bank and shares his talents as a volunteer with Forty Carrots Family Center. He is a Florida State University Alumnus where he earned both is Bachelor of Science and Juris Doctor degrees.

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About the Education Foundation of Sarasota County

The Education Foundation of Sarasota County is a supporting partner that exponentially enhances the educational experiences available to the children of Sarasota County. Its mission is to strengthen the community by investing in educational opportunities for the students, teachers and schools. The Foundation works to match donor's passions with high-impact projects and initiatives that help every child in Sarasota County rise to their full potential. It achieves this mission through scholarships, access to advanced technology, supplies needed for creativity to flourish and funds for educators' professional development. The Education Foundation of Sarasota County and its philanthropic investors are champions for students, teachers and schools.

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