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SAINT JOSEPH COLLEGE ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF PAMELA TROTMAN REID, PH.D., AS ITS NEXT PRESIDENT



WEST HARTFORD – Pamela Trotman Reid, Ph.D., provost and executive vice president at Roosevelt University in Chicago, today was named the 8th president/chief executive of Saint Joseph College.

Reid was selected through a comprehensive national search process. A search committee representing all College constituencies was assisted in its efforts by R.H. Perry & Associates. Reid was unanimously endorsed by the Board of Trustees at its afternoon meeting on campus.

“Pamela Trotman Reid is well suited to lead Saint Joseph College into the next successful chapter in its history,” said Board of Trustees Chair Philip J. Schulz. “Her depth of experience in higher education, her understanding of the College’s focus on professional preparation within the framework of a liberal arts education, her demonstrated commitment to the education of women and appreciation for the College’s Mercy mission and values are just a few of the great strengths she will bring to her presidency. We are proud that she will serve at the helm of New England’s Catholic College for Women,” Schulz said.

A developmental psychologist, Reid has been at Roosevelt University since July 2004. Prior to that, she was head of the Women's Studies Program, professor of Education and Psychology, and Research Scientist at the Institute for Research on Women and Gender at the University of Michigan. Before that, she was professor of psychology, associate provost and dean for academic affairs, and interim provost at the City University of New York's Graduate Center. She holds a bachelor of science degree from Howard University, a master's degree from Temple University and a doctorate in Educational Psychology from the University of Pennsylvania.

During her tenure as provost at Roosevelt University, Reid worked with faculty and administrative colleagues to enhance academic quality and promote diversity. She established the Center for Teaching and Learning, initiated a process of academic program review and facilitated the development of new academic programs. She worked with faculty governance groups to incorporate best practices in hiring, promotion and tenure decisions. She has experience in enrollment management and fundraising for institutions of higher education. She is the author of numerous scholarly articles and publications and has spoken extensively both nationally and internationally.

Reid is also active within the Chicago community. She is responsible for re-instituting the Higher Education Women's Network for the State of Illinois, established an enrichment program for middle-school girls in Chicago, currently serves as a member of a committee to create an arts high school in Chicago and participates in the Honor Circle of the Chicago Area Girl Scouts.

"I am very excited and pleased to join this amazing institution as its next president," Reid said Thursday. "Saint Joseph College has established a strong tradition of academic excellence and moral integrity with highly-talented faculty and staff. I am also so impressed with Saint Joseph College students, who are purposeful and eager to contribute to the community and the world. I have great confidence that together, we can make history as we forge an even stronger institution."

Reid will begin her tenure at Saint Joseph College in January 2008; she succeeds Dr. Carol J. Guardo, who has served as interim president since February 2007. Her husband, Dr. Irvin D. Reid, who has served as the president of Wayne State University in Detroit, MI, for the last ten years, recently announced his resignation effective in 2008. The Reids have a daughter, Nicole Reid Gore, who lives in St. Louis with her husband and their two children, and a son, Dexter Reid, who lives with his wife in San Francisco.

"On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank the search committee for its excellent work over the last several months; the committee was instrumental in identifying Dr. Reid as Saint Joseph College's next president. I also wish to express my appreciation to Dr. Carol J. Guardo, who continues to make many significant contributions to Saint Joseph College, including preparing it for its reaccreditation site visit from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges team in November and in readying the College community for new leadership," Schulz said.

Founded in 1932 by the Sisters of Mercy to provide higher education opportunities for women, Saint Joseph College is a four-year undergraduate college serving women from diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. Responsive to the evolving educational needs of the community, SJC also offers both women and men graduate degree programs in many fields, a Prime Time undergraduate program for

working adults, professional certificate programs relevant to today's workforce, and other continuing education opportunities.

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