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Maryland Council on Economic Education Appoints Dr. Nancy S. Grasmick to Honorary Board of Trustees

BALTIMORE, December 13, 2016 – The Maryland Council on Economic Education (MCEE), a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving economic and financial literacy in Maryland's schools, today announced it has elected Dr. Nancy S. Grasmick to its Honorary Board of Trustees.

A longtime supporter of MCEE, Grasmick is the presidential scholar for innovation in teacher and leader preparation at Towson University. In this position, she works to aid teachers and their students in classroom learning by improving educational opportunities and ensuring these initiatives are both engaging and innovative.

Grasmick was also Maryland's first female superintendent of schools, which she served for 20 years, making her the United States' longest-serving superintendent. Some of Grasmick's key achievements while serving as superintendent include establishing a K-12 curriculum, developing statewide assessments, and managing the school system's accountability, specifically through performance evaluations.

Her career began in the classroom at the William S. Baer School for the Deaf in Baltimore City. She went on to hold various positions within the Baltimore County Public Schools system. Currently, she also serves as co-director on the Leadership and Advisory Board at the Kennedy Krieger Institute.

"Dr. Grasmick's contributions have been of extraordinary benefit to the educational system," said Mary Ann Hewitt, executive director of MCEE. "Dr. Grasmick's great and unwavering commitment to improving the education of our community's youth is shared with the MCEE's vision for a strong economic and financial literacy in Maryland."

Grasmick received her doctorate degree in communicative sciences from The Johns Hopkins University, her master's in deaf education from Gallaudet University, and her bachelor's in elementary education from Towson University.

About Maryland Council on Economic Education

For more than 60 years, the Maryland Council on Economic Education (MCEE) has worked to assure that Maryland's young people leave school equipped with the economic and financial literacy knowledge and decision-making skills they will need to make informed, rational decisions as consumers, workers, citizens, savers, investors, and participants in the global economy. MCEE is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and affiliate of the national Council for Economic Education.