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## **KEVIN CORCORAN NAMED AS INCOMING EBAA PRESIDENT/CEO**

WASHINGTON, DC – Marian Macsai, MD, Chair of the Eye Bank Association of America (EBAA), announced on September 8<sup>th</sup> that Kevin P. Corcoran, CAE, has been appointed as incoming President/CEO of the Association.

This announcement followed a year long, multi-layered CEO search process; the EBAA hired Marsha Link, PhD, of Link Consulting, to conduct the search. The Search Committee interviewed final candidates in August 2011.

“As you all know, we have been blessed with the exemplary leadership of Patricia Aiken O’Neill, Esq. for the past 22 years and many of us feared it would be impossible to replace her. However, we have found an excellent candidate who has accepted the position,” Dr. Macsai said of Mr. Corcoran in her announcement. “I know you will join me in making [him] feel welcome in his new role at the EBAA.”

Mr. Corcoran said that he will work tirelessly to advance EBAA’s mission. “Pat Aiken-O’Neill has helped to establish a tremendous organization, and I am honored to have been selected to build on her work. I am very excited to develop the relationships and engage in the conversations that will align all of the EBAA’s resources toward achieving its mission,” he said. “It is rare to have the opportunity to help lead an association that has such a profound effect on the people it serves.”

With 12 years of CEO experience, Mr. Corcoran comes to the EBAA having most recently served as President of K Patrick Consulting in Chantilly, VA. Prior to his tenure at K Patrick Consulting, he headed two national associations: as the Executive Vice President of the American Chiropractic Association and of the National Association of Health Underwriters (NAHU). NAHU’s most prestigious membership recruitment award was renamed “The Corcoran Cup,” in honor of his service to the association.

In addition to his extensive, professional experience in the non-profit sector, he also has significant volunteer leadership experience. Mr. Corcoran has served as At-Large Director of the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE) Business Services Board of Directors since 2007 and is actively involved in a number of community groups. A Georgetown University graduate, Mr. Corcoran obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing. He has been a Certified Association Executive (CAE), ASAE’s prestigious designation for association professionals who demonstrate exceptional knowledge in association management, since 2001.

To ensure a smooth transition, Mr. Corcoran will begin his work at the EBAA on October 31, 2011, assuming his duties as President/CEO on January 1, 2012, following Ms. Aiken-O'Neill's retirement, effective December 31, 2011.

"I am delighted that Kevin will join the EBAA as my successor," Ms. Aiken-O'Neill said. "He brings a wealth of association experience and has expressed his commitment to the mission of eye banking and continuing to carry its work forward. I look forward to working with him to ensure a smooth transition."

The Eye Bank Association of America (EBAA), established in 1961, is the oldest transplant association in the nation. The EBAA champions the restoration of sight through core services to its members which advance donation, transplantation and research in their communities and throughout the world. It has led the transplantation field with the establishment of medical standards for the distribution of eyes and comprehensive training and certification programs for eye banking personnel. These standards have been used as models for other transplantation organizations. Member eye banks operate in the United States, Canada, Europe, the Middle East, and Asia. These eye banks make possible more than 52,000 sight-restoring corneal transplants annually.

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