



## THE FIDUCIE DU PATRIMOINE CULTUREL DES AUGUSTINES WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Québec, December 2, 2014 – The Fiducie du patrimoine culturel des Augustines is pleased to announce that its Board of Directors has five new members :

**David F. Blair** – Lawyer and McCarthy Tétrault Partner;

**Michel Gervais** – O.C., O.Q., PhD, Chair of the Board of Directors of the Association québécoise d'établissements de santé et de services sociaux (AQESSS);

**Gilles Gingras** – CPA, CA, Consultant;

**Geneviève Marcon** – Co-President, GM Développement Inc.;

**Michel Verreault** – Consultant with Verreault Inc. and Corporate Director;

The Fiducie team now has 11 members whose professional and personal experience will be an asset to the completion of the *Monastère des Augustines*, which is scheduled to open in the summer of 2015. The Board of Directors of the Fiducie du patrimoine culturel des Augustines is made up of:

**Marcel Barthe**, APR, CPC, FCPRS – Communicator and Geographer – *Chair*;

**David F. Blair** – Lawyer and McCarthy Tétrault Partner;

**André Couture** – Chair of the Board of Directors, Sanimax;

**Yves-Thomas Dorval** – President and CEO, Conseil du patronat du Québec;

**Michel Gervais** – O.C., O.Q., PhD, Chair of the Board of Directors of AQESSS;

**Gilles Gingras** – CPA, CA, Consultant;

**Geneviève Marcon** – Co-President, GM Développement Inc.;

**Sr. Hélène Marquis**, A.M.J. – Hôpital général de Québec monastery;

**Sr. Lise Tanguay**, A.M.J. – Superior General, Fédération des monastères des Augustines;

**Michel Verreault** – Consultant with Verreault Inc. and Corporate Director;

**Serge Viau** – Architect and Urban-planner, Expert Advisor.

“I am pleased to welcome these new members to our Board of Directors. Their know-how, extensive experience and joint expertise in business, construction, law and finance will definitely play a major role in the success of the Fiducie’s projects. I would like to extend an enthusiastic welcome to them on behalf of the members of the Board,” said Marcel Barthe, who was appointed Chair of the Fiducie’s Board of Directors in May.

***La Fiducie du patrimoine culturel des Augustines*** is a social trust with charitable status that was created by the *Fédération des Augustines*. Its mission is to preserve and share the heritage and memory of the Augustinian Sisters of Quebec for the benefit of the entire population and for generations to come. Since January 1, 2013, the Fiducie has been the owner of the Hôtel-Dieu de Québec monastery, out of which was founded the first hospital on the continent north of Mexico (1639). The Fiducie will also progressively be entrusted with the collections and archives of all 12 of the Augustinian Sisters' monasteries. The Fiducie is presently overseeing significant restoration and renovation work to the monastery - one of Canada's National Historic Sites and a Heritage Site under Quebec's Cultural Heritage Act - as an important step in bringing to life its current priority projects: Le Monastère des Augustines, le Centre Catherine-de-Saint-Augustin, as well as programs to support caregivers, those accompanying hospital patients, and healthcare professionals.

***Le Monastère des Augustines*** offers its guests a unique experience in holistic health, along with a rare opportunity to connect directly with the Augustinian Sisters' remarkable heritage in a non-confessional approach: experiential accommodations, a museum and archives, programming, a restaurant, a boutique and specialized services, all available after the grand opening in the summer of 2015.

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