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EDUCATOR JOINS LONG ISLAND CHILDREN'S MUSEUM BOARD

GARDEN CITY, NY -- Lynne D'Agostino, Ed.D, has joined the Board of Trustees of Long Island Children's Museum. D'Agostino, a resident of Garden City, was elected to a three-year board term. LICM President Suzanne LeBlanc announced the appointment.

"The Children's Museum values its relationship as an education ally to Long Island schools and the academic community," said LeBlanc. "We are pleased to strengthen our connection to these audiences with the addition of Lynne D'Agostino to our Board of Trustees. Her expertise and educational connections will enable us to expand our academic outreach efforts," she noted. "Her enthusiasm for the Museum, both professionally and personally, makes her a passionate ambassador for our mission and values."

"As a career principal, I consistently advocated for programs and events that provided students with learning environments that were child-centered and offered an atmosphere of exploration and discovery," D'Agostino explained. "LICM is the best example of such a setting. There, children can develop self-confidence and success working through hands-on activities.

I hope to assist in perpetuating their mission to enhance fun educational experiences for children in our communities."

Her commitment to LICM is also very personal she admits. "As a grandmother, I am thrilled to see my grandsons clamoring to visit LICM after school on a weekly basis, learning through play in their favorite areas, and embracing the always changing exhibits and activities. I am honored serve on the board of this outstanding institution."

Dr. D'Agostino spent her professional career as a school administrator; first as Assistant Principal/Supervisor of District Transportation for Wantagh School District. Thereafter, she was appointed principal of the district's Mandalay Elementary

School, where she served until her retirement. Additionally, she was the coordinator of the district's Gifted program. The school was a recipient of the US Department of Education Excellence in Education award and she was an NAESP Elementary Principal Honoree.

D'Agostino currently serves as an Adjunct Lecturer and Supervisor of Student Teachers at SUNY Oneonta. She previously was an Adjunct Lecturer at Touro College. D'Agostino earned a bachelor's degree from Marymount College (Tarrytown, NY) and a master's in Education from Hofstra University (Hempstead, NY). D'Agostino pursued a Professional Diploma in School District Administration from CW Post Center of Long Island University (Brookville, NY) before obtaining a doctoral degree in education from Nova Southeastern University (Ft. Lauderdale, FL).

Long Island Children's Museum

The mission of the Long Island Children's Museum is to connect all our communities' children, and those who care for them, to a life of wonder, imagination and exploration. At LICM, children discover their passions and their relationship to the world we share. The 40,000-square-foot museum welcomes nearly 250,000 children and adults annually. The private, not-for-profit institution chartered by the New York State Board of Regents, offers museum-based educational programs and cultural experiences, as well as an extensive community outreach program offered in schools, libraries and youth centers across Long Island. The Museum is the recipient of the 2012 National Medal for Museum & Library Service, the highest honor conferred on museums for extraordinary civic, educational, economic, environmental, and social contributions.