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New State Chamber Board Members Elected

Effective January 1, 2002, **Gayle-ann Douglas**, Executive Vice President, Douglas Manufacturing Corp., Crete, will begin her duties as Chairman of the Board of the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce & Industry. She succeeds **Richard B. Campbell**, President, Campbell's Nurseries & Garden Centers, Lincoln, as the State Chamber's chief elected officer and will receive the gavel February 7, 2002, at the State Chamber's Annual Meeting & Legislative Caucus in Lincoln. The 2002 Chairman-Elect will be **Gayle E. McClure**, Senior Vice President, Dutton-Lainson Co., Hastings. **John E. Cederberg, CPA**, Partner, Cederberg & Robertson, Lincoln, was re-elected Treasurer, and **Barry L. Kennedy, CAE**, Lincoln, will be President and Corporate Secretary. **Campbell** remains on the Executive Council as Immediate Past Chairman.

Gayle-ann Douglas and her husband Roger are now the fourth generation to run the family business, Douglas Manufacturing Corporation, that was founded in 1910. After leaving a teaching career at UNL and Southeast Community College, she joined the firm, which is headquartered in Crete and provides election-related equipment throughout the U.S. and some foreign countries. Gayle-ann finds time to serve numerous civic and professional associations, such as the Nebraska Diplomats. She devoted a great deal of time on the Prison Site Selection Committee and the Teacher Salary Task Force as a representative of business. She and Roger have three grown children and two grandchildren.

Elected to the 2002 State Chamber Executive Council as District Vice Chairmen were: **G. Richard Russell**, President, Millard Lumber Inc., Omaha, District I; **Arlene Sorensen**, President, Lincoln Wholesale Florists Co., Lincoln, District II; **S. Michael Jensen**, CEO, Great Plains Communications, Inc., Blair, District III; **Gary Warren**,

Executive Vice President, Hamilton Telecommunications, Aurora, District IV; **Brian C. Hamilton**, Co-Owner/General Manager, Hamilton Chevrolet-Cadillac, Inc., Grand Island, District V; and **James L. Girardin, Sr.**, President, Arrow Seed Co., Inc., Broken Bow, District VI. Messrs. **Jensen** and **Hamilton** were re-elected to their posts.

At the State Chamber's final 2001 Board Meeting, eight new directors were introduced. Those elected by mail ballots by the membership include: **Tim Cumberland**, Chief Financial Officer, Sand Livestock Systems, Inc., Columbus; **Tim Sandos**, Vice President-Nebraska, Qwest, Omaha.

New Directors joining the State Chamber Board by Chairman's appointment include: **Karen S. Anderson**, Executive Director, Scottsbluff/Gering United Chamber of Commerce, Scottsbluff; **Richard K. Armstrong, Jr.**, President, Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Co., Minden; **G. Randy Boldt**, Senior Vice President of Corporate Development, Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Nebraska, Omaha; **Paul Huss**, Chairman of the Board, Nebraska Junior Chamber of Commerce, Lincoln; **W. Michael Kearney**, Administrator, Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital, Hastings; and **Marc LeBaron**, Chairman & CEO, Lincoln Plating Co., Lincoln.

Re-elected to the Board were: **Rich Bailey**, Chairman & CEO, Bailey Lauerman, Lincoln; **Joseph R. Bateman, Jr.**, Senior Assistant Vice President, Government Affairs, Union Pacific Railroad Co., Omaha; **Eric Brown**, General Manager, KRVN 880 Farm Radio, Lexington; **Robert S. Milligan**, President, M I Industries, Lincoln; **Dan Morgan**, President, Morgan Ranch, Burwell; **Philip Mullin**, President, Garner Industries, Lincoln; **Joanne F. Shephard**, President, First National Bank of Valentine, Valentine; **Suzanne Mahel Tyrrell**, President, MSP Resources, Inc., Lincoln; **David W. Williams**, President, Drake-Williams Steel, Inc., Omaha; and **Tom L. Whalen**, President, SilverStone Consulting, Omaha.

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