The Hudson-Webber Foundation Announces New Board Member, Barbara McQuade

Detroit – The Hudson-Webber Foundation announced, today, that Barbara McQuade has joined its board of trustees. McQuade, currently a professor at the University of Michigan Law School, is well-known for her significant work as U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan.

“Barbara has been an outstanding public servant, working tirelessly throughout her career to ensure the safety and well-being of our community,” said Jennifer Hudson Parke, chair of the Hudson-Webber board of trustees. “We are excited to welcome her to our board, and to have the benefit of her public safety and justice system experience and insight as our foundation implements new funding strategies to achieve shared prosperity.”

McQuade served as the presidially-appointed United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan between 2010 and 2017, the first woman to serve in this role. McQuade was responsible for prosecuting federal crime in 34 counties in Michigan’s eastern Lower Peninsula, including Wayne County, and is widely praised for her work to address public corruption, national security, and financial fraud. While at the U.S. Attorney’s office McQuade, working with local, state and federal law enforcement leaders, launched Detroit One, a community and law enforcement partnership designed to reduce homicide and violent crime in Detroit. Prior to joining the U.S. attorney’s office, McQuade worked at the Detroit law firm of Butzel Long, and taught at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.

As a professor for her alma mater, the University of Michigan Law School, McQuade focuses on national security, criminal law and criminal procedure. McQuade is also a regular guest commentator on MSNBC.

McQuade joined the Hudson-Webber board on the heels of the foundation announcing a newly-developed approach in philanthropic investments in Detroit. The Hudson-Webber Foundation is focusing investment in organizations, programs and initiatives that help achieve sustainable, broad-based prosperity in the city.

The Hudson-Webber Foundation origins date back to 1939 with major contributions from Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Webber, other members of the Webber family, and The J.L. Hudson Company. The Foundation is governed by a 13-member board of trustees, with assets of approximately $170 million, and has contributed over $200 million to improve the quality of life in Detroit. The mission areas of the Foundation include support of community and economic
development, the built environment, safe and just communities, and arts and culture. To learn more about The Hudson-Webber Foundation, visit www.hudson-webber.org.

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