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**Ronald C. Brown Named Chair of Phoenix Children's Board of Directors**

*Longtime board member will oversee next two years of Hospital expansion*

PHOENIX, Ariz. (May 7, 2007) – Ronald C. Brown, president of Atrium Holdco, LLC, a private hotel investment company, has been named the Chairman of Phoenix Children's Board of Directors for the 2007-09 term. Brown has served on the Hospital's board since 1993 and will oversee the board as the Hospital continues with its \$450 million expansion.

"During the time I have been with the Hospital, it has gone from a relatively small facility to one of the ten largest children's hospitals in the country. Phoenix is a rapidly expanding community, and I am proud of the world-class facility created at Phoenix Children's," Brown said. "The financial turnaround, the expansion, and the attraction of great senior leadership, physicians and staff– they are all evidence of the outstanding progress that's been made here."

Brown, a resident of Scottsdale, is married with two children. He is president of a company that owns 43 hotels containing over 10,500 rooms located across the U.S. From 1995 to 2003, Brown served as CFO of Starwood Hotels & Resorts (NYSE: HOT), a leading global hotel company, helping lead its growth from a small owner of hotels to one of the largest hotel companies in the world with over 120,000 employees. Previously, Brown held various positions at Doubletree Hotels Corporation including CFO, president, and chairman. He began his career as an attorney at Canadian Pacific Limited, later becoming CFO of Canadian Pacific Hotels, now Fairmont Hotels. Brown has been a director of TGen and serves on the Board of Directors of zipRealty, Inc. (NASDAQ: ZIPR) He has an LLM from the London School of Economics and an LLB from Osgoode Hall Law School in Toronto, Canada.

Phoenix Children's Hospital is Arizona's leader in pediatric care and is one of the 10 largest free-standing children's hospitals in the nation. The most comprehensive array of pediatric specialists in the State practice at this one organization. The outstanding clinical expertise, as well as high patient volume, and an unwavering commitment to caring only for children, all contribute to Phoenix Children's leadership position. For information, visit the Hospital's Web site at [www.phoenixchildrens.com](http://www.phoenixchildrens.com).

**EDITOR'S NOTE: A photo of Brown is attached.**