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## Dr. James P. Ganley Honored for Contributions to Saving Sight

**Washington, DC, May 8, 2008**— Dr. James P. Ganley was honored by the International Eye Foundation (IEF) at the annual *Promotion of Peace and Vision Awards* reception in Washington, DC on Thursday evening, May 8, 2008.

The Executive Committee of the International Eye Foundation selected Dr. Ganley to receive the 2007 *Promotion of Peace and Vision Award* for an Ophthalmologist. The ceremony was held at the beautiful and historic Twin Oaks Estate in Northwest Washington, hosted and sponsored by the Representative to the United States from Taiwan and Mrs. Joseph Wu.

The *Promotion of Peace and Vision Awards* were created by the Board of Directors in 1997 to recognize individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the IEF's mission of restoring sight and preventing blindness through their active involvement and support. The Awards are dedicated to the vision expressed by IEF founder Dr. John Harry King, Jr. "...the promotion of peace through the prevention of blindness."

Beginning in the 1970s, Dr. Ganley has been active in the work of the IEF, first as a member of IEF's Medical Advisory Board. For over 30 years, he has supported IEF's sight-saving work as a member of the IEF's Society of Eye Surgeons. Dr. Ganley was a trainer and consultant for IEF programs focusing on vitamin A deficiency in Kenya and India and has worked on onchocerciasis control efforts in Liberia and Chad. Joining the IEF Board of Directors in 2004, he currently serves as its Chairman. With his time, talent and resources, Dr. Ganley has been very generous to the IEF for more than three decades.

The International Eye Foundation, based in Kensington, MD, USA prevents blindness and restores sight in the developing world. Founded in 1961 and in "official relations" with the World Health Organization, IEF works at the grassroots and national policy levels focusing on clinical and surgical eye care services, vitamin A deficiency/child survival and 'river blindness' control, and expanding the availability of ophthalmic instruments, supplies and equipment. IEF's major initiative focuses on management and sustainability of eye care institutions improving quality and efficiency of eye care worldwide.

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