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Honored for Contributions to Saving Sight Nancyfaye Autenzio and Rowland R. Bradley

Kensington, MD, February 18, 2009—Nancyfaye Autenzio and Rowland R. Bradley will be honored by the International Eye Foundation (IEF) at the annual *Promotion of Peace and Vision Awards* reception to be held at Gadsby's Tavern Museum in Alexandria, Virginia on Sunday, March 15, 2009.

In December 2008, the Executive Committee of the International Eye Foundation selected Ms. Autenzio and Mr. Bradley as co-honorees to receive the IEF's 2008 *Promotion of Peace and Vision Award* for Community Members.

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.*"

Nancyfaye and Rowland have given of their time, talent, and resources to the IEF for over 10 years. Both serve on IEF's Board of Directors, Ms. Autenzio is the current Vice Chair. Mr. Bradley was Vice Chair in 2004, and was Secretary from 2001 to 2003. Marketing and development consultants in technology and software, they have strengthened IEF with their expertise and by involving their colleagues with IEF. Beginning in 2000, they founded and co-sponsor the DC Ambassadors' Wine Tastings to generate funds for and awareness of IEF's sight saving programs. Their support of IEF and dedication to its mission have been of the highest level.

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 programs focus on clinical and surgical eye care services, childhood blindness, '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 to improve the quality, efficiency, and availability of eye care worldwide.

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