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**Strengthening of the Board of Directors –
Appointment of Six New Directors**

SUDBURY, Ontario, 16th October 2009: The Art Gallery of Sudbury (AGS), Sudbury’s public art gallery and home to more than 2200 historical and contemporary works of art in the permanent collection, announced today the strengthening of its Board of Directors, with the election of six new members.

Alan Nursall, Chair of Board of Director’s welcomes newly elected Councillor Jacques Barbeau; artist and retired newspaper executive Jon Butler; Gisèle Chrétien, Chair of TFO and the Community Adjustment Committee; and Shelagh Dabous, Area Coordinator at Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario who will serve for a three year term. Serving a two year term is Josée Forest Niesing, partner at Lacroix Forest LLP/s.r.l.; and Diane Salo, owner of Furniture World.

In a Special Resolution, the AGS increased its number of Directors from twelve to thirteen to welcome the roster of six new appointees to the Board at its Annual General Meeting on October 14, 2009. These appointments will take effect immediately.

Karen Tait-Peacock, AGS’s Director, concludes: “We are very pleased and proud that these individuals have chosen to join our Board. Their expertise, skill and knowledge will be a valuable asset for us in pursuing our future growth and development. This appointment fills our desire to strengthen our good governance practices and to cover, thanks to the expertise of our directors, the new 3-year strategic objectives and goals of the organization. AGS’s Board now has 13 directors who are perfectly qualified to help our organization profit from their vast experience.”

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Art Gallery of Sudbury

The Art Gallery of Sudbury was established in 1967 as a Centennial project of the Sudbury and District Chamber of Commerce. Originally operating as the Laurentian University Museum and Art Centre, the gallery was incorporated in 1997. Housed in a turn of the century mansion, the former residence of lumber baron William Joseph Bell, the gallery has a unique architectural appeal. Local history and contemporary works of art come together in the lush surroundings of the Gallery grounds. Our exciting exhibitions, lecture series, art classes and special events make the gallery a gathering place for the local community. The Art Gallery is open to the public year round.

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