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Holly Burnes Elected Board President of The Boston Home

Dorchester, Mass.---Holly Burnes, RN, MS, CS, of Chestnut Hill was recently elected president of the Board of Trustees of The Boston Home (TBH) in Dorchester.

Burnes is the first woman and the first medical professional to preside over The Boston Home's board. A nurse and mind-body psychotherapist in private practice in Chestnut Hill, she has been a TBH board member since 1985. She was vice president of the board for the past four years, chairperson of the Development Committee, and a member of the Investment Committee.

Before starting her psychotherapy practice, Burnes was director of Mind/Body Programs at Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, where she led groups for patients with MS, among other diseases.

She said, "The Boston Home has evolved into an institution that's setting the pace for excellent care of residents with complex needs. We take care of mind, body, and spirit. My commitment is to ensure that residents' quality of life continues to grow as our physical space grows." (The facility is in the midst of a building project that includes the addition of 12 beds, the expansion of common areas, and the renovation of resident rooms.)

Burnes also serves on the board of the Brookline Community Fund. She and her husband, Daniel, have three grown children.

Burnes succeeds John Woodard of Dedham, who was TBH board president since 1985, overseeing the Home's expansion from 42 to 84 beds in 1993. Woodard will continue to serve as a trustee, as he has done since 1971. He is an attorney of counsel at Dane & Howe in Boston.

The Boston Home is an 84-bed, not-for-profit, long-term-care facility for adults with disabilities—predominantly multiple sclerosis. It is the only facility of its kind in New England and one of three in the United States.

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