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**Dedham Resident Steps Down as Board President
of The Boston Home, Continues as Trustee**

Dorchester, Mass.---John Woodard of Dedham has stepped down as president of the Board of Trustees of The Boston Home (TBH) in Dorchester after a 17-year tenure.

Woodard was president of the TBH board since 1985, overseeing the facility's expansion from 42 to 84 beds in 1993—"one of the most rewarding things that occurred during my tenure," he said.

He will continue to serve as a TBH trustee, as he has done since 1971. An attorney, of counsel at Dane & Howe in Boston, he has also chaired the boards of Faulkner and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospitals, Spaulding/Youville Rehabilitation Services, and Partners Continuing Care. In addition, he is director of the Dedham Community Association and was a Marines officer in the early '60s. He and his wife, Linda, have two grown children.

Woodard's successor is Holly Burnes, RN, MS, CS, of Chestnut Hill, a nurse and mind-body psychotherapist who has been a TBH trustee since 1985.

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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