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Dr. Sally L. Glaser, Ph.D. to lead Northern California Cancer Center

Don Nielsen to step down after five years at the helm

June 11, 2008 -- FREMONT, CA: The Board of Directors of the esteemed Northern California Cancer Center (www.nccc.org) has named **Dr. Sally L. Glaser, Ph.D.**, as Interim Executive Director. Glaser, who is also the Director of the Center's Greater Bay Area Cancer Registry, is internationally recognized for her extensive cancer research and publications. **Dr. Donald Nielsen, Ph.D.**, who has led the Center for the past five years, announced his resignation on May 30.

"Don has led the Northern California Cancer Center through five exciting and challenging years," said **Sam Bronfman, NCCC Chairman of the Board**. "We all wish Don well in the future and thank him for his commitment to our work and mission."

"I am honored by the Board's confidence in asking me to serve as Interim Executive Director," said Glaser. "I believe strongly in our mission and in what we have accomplished over the years. I'm looking forward with excitement to working with the Board and staff to continue this trajectory over the next few months."

"Dr. Glaser is an outstanding scientist and brings to this position her leadership skills and team approach to building ideas and solving problems," continued Bronfman. "She is passionate about the Northern California Cancer Center and the work done by our scientists, community educators, and registry."

During the next few months, the NCCC Board will conduct a national search for a new executive director. Throughout this period, Glaser will continue as Director of the Registry and, as time permits, with her scientific endeavors.

About the Northern California Cancer Center:

The Northern California Cancer Center (www.nccc.org) is a nationally recognized leader in understanding the causes and prevention of cancer and in improving the quality of life for individuals living with cancer. The organization has been working with scientists, educators, patients, clinicians, and community leaders since 1974. NCCC is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit with 150 employees and a \$15 million operating budget.

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