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## **Ronald McDonald House Charities Welcomes New Board Members**

AUSTIN, Texas – (May 25, 2012) – Ronald McDonald House Charities of Austin and Central Texas (RMHC Austin) is pleased to announce five new members of the RMHC Austin Board of Directors.

Rebecca Bray, Joe Perrone, Stacy Garcia, Robert Shaver, and Mike Lewis join 18 returning members for the 2012 board appointment. **Bray** is a native Austinite who has served on many boards for civic and business organizations, including The Junior League of Austin, the Settlement Club and the Real Estate Council of Austin, along with the Ronald McDonald House Charities board. **Perrone**, a native Texan, is a financial advisor with Royal Bank of Canada Wealth Management and sits on the Fixed Income Advisory Council for the firm. **Garcia** has been very active with RMHC Austin since 2003, and has served as co-chair for the Bandana Ball Auction twice and co-chair for the entire event once. **Shaver** has spent over 40 years working at some of the most notable companies in the world and is a long-time member of Rotary International. **Lewis** is the vice president and general manager of KTBC FOX 7 in Austin. Before taking the helm at FOX 7, Michael held the position of VP/General Sales Manager at FOX 26 in Houston.

### **About Ronald McDonald House Charities of Austin & Central Texas**

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Austin and Central Texas creates, finds and supports programs that directly improve the health and well being of children. For over twenty-seven years, Austin's Ronald McDonald House has addressed very simple but profound needs: most importantly, the need for parents to be near their child when that child is in medical crisis and the need for children to have the comfort of their parents in frightening times.

The Ronald McDonald House, with its 30 guest rooms for families, provides lodging and support services in a nurturing, home-like environment where families stay together while caring for their critically ill or injured children receiving treatment in Austin-area hospitals.

Austin's Ronald McDonald Family Rooms are places of rest and support within the walls of the hospitals for families with hospitalized children.

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