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North Carolina Humanities Council Announces Six New Board Members

(Greensboro, NC) – The North Carolina Humanities Council, a 37-year-old statewide nonprofit affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, announces that six new members have joined the Council board as of October 2008. Five have been appointed to serve by Governor Mike Easley.*

***Dr. Glen Anthony Harris** is Associate Professor of History at UNC Wilmington. He is the author of numerous articles on topics ranging from African American-Jewish relations during the first decades of the twentieth century; postmodern slave narrative; and interracial marriage. Harris is currently researching and writing a book-length manuscript titled *Intellectual Struggles Between Blacks and Jews From the 1940s Through the 1960s: A Prelude to the Ocean Hill-Brownsville Conflict*.

***Dr. Tom Hanchett** has served as staff historian at Charlotte's Levine Museum of the New South since 1999, where he has curated a string of prize-winning exhibitions. Hanchett has written widely on such subjects as North Carolina music traditions and black Rosenwald Schools, and his research into the history of American shopping centers has been hailed as "groundbreaking" by *The New Yorker's* Malcolm Gladwell.

Dr. Reginald Hildebrand is Associate Professor of African and Afro-American Studies at UNC Chapel Hill. The focus of his research is the period of emancipation and reconstruction in America. Currently, he is working on a collection of essays on W.E.B. DuBois, Malcolm X, and the theologian Howard Thurman. Hildebrand serves as co-chair of the North Carolina Freedom Monument Project.

***Mr. Jonathan Howes** is Special Assistant to the Chancellor and Adjunct Professor of Regional Planning and Public Policy at UNC Chapel Hill. In February 2001, he completed his tenure as Interim General Manager at WUNC radio, where he serves as Chair of the Community Advisory Board. Howes is a member of the UNC Chapel Hill Board of Directors and Past President of the Botanical Garden Foundation. His



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teaching interests center around environmental policy, North Carolina politics and public policy, and the university and the community. Howes served as Mayor of Chapel Hill from 1987-91 and as Secretary of the NC Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources from 1993-97. Howes chairs the board of the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority, which is responsible for administration of the \$50 million dollar Parks and Recreation Trust Fund.

***Ms. Carol Lawrence**, a professional writer and editor from Asheville, is the principal with Carol Lawrence Consulting, which helps nonprofits in western North Carolina increase fundraising success, prepare for large-scale campaigns, develop leadership, and improve organizational effectiveness.

***Dr. Hephzibah Roskelly**, former Director of the Composition Program at UNC Greensboro, now holds the Women's Studies Professorship. She teaches courses in Rhetoric and Composition and American literature and culture. Her special interests include pedagogy, literacy, theories of composition, and gender studies. She is author of five books, *Breaking (Into) the Circle*; *Reason to Believe: Romanticism, Pragmatism and the Possibility of Teaching* (with Kate Ronald); *An Unquiet Pedagogy* (with Eleanor Kutz); *Farther Along: Transforming Dichotomies in Rhetoric and Composition* (with Kate Ronald); and *Everyday Use: Rhetoric in Reading and Writing* (with David Jolliffe), which came out in its second edition in 2008. Roskelly's recent graduate courses include: Social Construction Theory & Collaboration, Reading Theory & Writing Theory, Romanticism & Pragmatism, Women's Rhetoric & Feminist Pedagogy. She is the Linda Carlisle Distinguished Excellence Professor at UNCG and has won the Outstanding Teaching Award for the University.

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