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## STATEMENT BY FRED RYAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION AND INSTITUTE ON THE DEATH OF KENNETH M. DUBERSTEIN



Simi Valley, California – The Reagan Foundation and Institute mourns the loss of Ken Duberstein, a man that Ronald Reagan called a "valuable asset" to his presidency. Ken Duberstein served in many key positions within the Reagan Administration, including as President Reagan's Chief of Staff from 1988-1989. He was awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal by President Reagan in 1989, one of the highest civilian honors in the U.S., for performing exemplary deeds or services for his country.

Mrs. Reagan often remarked how grateful she was that Ken was willing to serve as Chief of Staff for the final six months of her husband's administration, saying that "he helped make the transition from the White House back to private life much smoother" for her and President Reagan.

"Ken was a champion of the policies and principles of Ronald Reagan and effectively served his administration in multiple roles," said Fred Ryan, Chairman of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute. "He will be missed by all of us who had the chance to work with him."

Following President Reagan's time in office, Ken Duberstein remained friends with President and Mrs. Reagan and became well-known for helping many people in the Reagan Administration find post-presidency jobs. He took a continued interest in those who served in the administration, remained in contact with many, and provided career advice for countless colleagues along the way.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Ken's wife, Jacqueline, and to their entire family. May he rest in peace.

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