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ROBERTA KALB REAPPOINTED TO ADAMHS BOARD

Painesville, OH -- Painesville resident Roberta Kalb has been reappointed to the Lake County Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services (ADAMHS) Board for a four year term. She was sworn in during the Board's regular August, 2011 meeting by Commissioner Daniel Troy.

Established by Ohio Statute, ADAMHS Boards are responsible for planning, funding and evaluating local mental health and addiction recovery services. In Lake County, those services are delivered through a network of providers – Neighboring, Crossroads, Pathways, Signature Health, Lake Geauga Recovery Centers, and others. Board members, 18 Lake County residents who serve without compensation, are appointed by the Ohio Department of Mental Health, the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services, or the Lake County Commissioners. By Statute, board members include mental health and addiction recovery experts, consumers (people who need and use services), family members of consumers, and community leaders.

Kalb was originally appointed by the Commissioners to a four-year term on the Board in 2002. She was reappointed for a second term in 2006. Per Ohio law, she stepped down from the Board in June of 2010, when that term expired. She became eligible for reappointment one year later.

Kalb served two years as Board chair, in fiscal-years 2009 and 2010. Her Board involvement spanned virtually every ADAMHS committee, including Alcohol/Drug Addiction, Allocation, Long Range Planning, Marketing, and Mental Health. She served as secretary in fiscal-year 2005, as treasurer in fiscal-years 2006 and 2007, and as vice-chair in fiscal-year 2008.

Kim Fraser, Executive Director of the Lake County ADAMHS system, said she's excited about Kalb's return. "We've missed her," Fraser explained. "Roberta and her husband, Jerry have well-earned reputations for compassion, enthusiasm, clear thinking, leadership, and respect for the perspectives of others. Roberta brings all of those attributes to her work here. She's a tireless advocate for our ADAMHS system, the agencies we support, and the local families and individuals who rely on our services."

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