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Governor Scott Appoints Four to The Able Trust Board of Directors

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The Able Trust announces a new appointment, along with three reappointments to its Board of Directors.

Governor Rick Scott has appointed Scot LaFerté, vice president of talent & administration for Universal Orlando Resort where he is responsible for driving overall strategy and execution for the Staffing, Talent Development, Internal Communications, Facilities Management and Workers Compensation functions. Laferté succeeds Jeannie Amendola, and is appointed for a term ending September 30, 2017.

Marcy Benton, director of retail associate relations for Publix Super Markets, Inc., has been a member of The Able Trust Board since 2010, and serves as Treasurer. She is re-appointed for a term ending September 30, 2017.

Leslie "Les" Goldman, senior product manager for Syniverse, joined the Board in 2014. He is re-appointed for a term ending September 30, 2017.

Bridget Pallango, senior vice president of Goodwill Industries of South Florida, has been a member of the Board since 2000. A past Board Chair, she currently serves as Vice Chair of the Board. She is re-appointed for a term ending September 30, 2017.

The Able Trust, also known as the Florida Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation, is a 501(c)(3) public-private partnership foundation established by the Florida Legislature in 1990. Its mission is to be a key leader in providing Floridians with disabilities opportunities for successful employment. Since its establishment, The Able Trust has awarded more than \$33 million to programs throughout Florida, enabling thousands of Florida citizens with disabilities to enter the workforce. The Able Trust youth programs provide career development and transition to high school students with disabilities, helping to reduce the dropout rate and prepare young adults for a productive life beyond high school.

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