CHICAGO, December 11, 2019 – The Robert R. McCormick Foundation announced that the Foundation Board elected two new Board members: Celena Roldán, Chief Executive Officer of the American Red Cross of Chicago and Northern Illinois; and William McLean, Vice President and Chief Investment Officer for Northwestern University.

“We welcome Celena and Will to our Board of Directors. They bring decades of experience in key areas of philanthropy, nonprofit leadership, and investment strategy that will contribute to our mission to strengthen communities and help families and children thrive,” said Dennis FitzSimons, Chairman of the Board of the McCormick Foundation.

Roldán oversees all operations for the fourth largest region of the American Red Cross, including disaster response, health and safety training, community preparedness, and support for military service members, veterans and their families. Prior to joining Red Cross, Roldán served as the Executive Director of Erie Neighborhood House, strengthening low-income, primarily-Latino families through skill-building, access to critical resources, advocacy and collaborative action. She is the Board chair for Illinois Action for Children, a member of the national Board of UnidosUS (formerly the National Council of La Raza), and a Board member for Wintrust Wealth Management. Roldán holds a master’s degree in early childhood administration from National Louis University, and master’s and bachelor’s degrees in social work from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

McLean is responsible for managing Northwestern University’s $11 billion diversified investment portfolio. Prior to Northwestern, McLean oversaw management of the investment portfolio for the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. He also served as an Investment Officer at The Duke Endowment in Charlotte, North Carolina. A Chartered Financial Analyst, Mr. McLean received his BA in economics from Davidson College and his MBA from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. He is a past president of the North Carolina Society of Financial Analysts and past Board member of the Investment Analysts Society of Chicago. He was a director of TIFF Advisory Services, Inc., the overseer of investment vehicles for The Investment Fund for Foundations, and he currently serves as a Board member of the TIFF Charitable Foundation. Will is a current Trustee of the University of Richmond and a Board member of The Sherman Fairchild Foundation. He has served on investment advisory committees of Father Flanagan’s Trust Fund, the NCAA, Davidson College, Mather Lifeways, and The Mayo Clinic.

About the Robert R. McCormick Foundation

The Robert R. McCormick Foundation helps communities in Chicagoland and across Illinois develop educated, informed, and engaged citizens. Through philanthropic grantmaking and Cantigny Park, the Foundation works to strengthen our democracy, and to help ensure that people, especially children, have equitable access to the opportunities they need to flourish. The McCormick Foundation, among the nation’s largest foundations with more than $1.5 billion in assets, was established in 1955 upon the death of Col. Robert R. McCormick, the longtime editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune. Find out more at www.mccormickfoundation.org.