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### **Queen of Peace Introduces New Vice President of Institutional Advancement**

Queen of Peace High School welcomes Patricia A. McDonald, Certified Fundraising Executive, as its first Vice President of Institutional Advancement. Patti brings over 15 years experience successfully leading and managing nonprofit organizations and fundraising programs.

“We are thrilled to have a woman of such caliber and commitment joining our efforts to promote and support the Peace community,” said President/Principal Kathleen Hanlon, Ph.D.

As VPIA, Patti will be responsible for designing and developing innovative marketing, community relations and fundraising strategies to increase awareness, involvement and financial support of students and programs for Queen of Peace High School.

“In the days and months ahead, I look forward to tackling new challenges,” Patti said. “It is truly an honor to join the efforts of board, alumnae, faculty and staff to insure the continued success of this outstanding educational experience for young women of Peace today, tomorrow and in the years to come.”

In the past, Patti has served as Co-Founder and Co-Executive Director of the Cancer Support Center in Homewood; Executive Director of the Wellness Place in Palatine; and most recently, Vice President of Institutional Advancement of Glenwood School for Boys and Girls in Glenwood.

She obtained both B.A. and M.B.A. degrees from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and began her career in the for-profit arena. After losing her husband and father of their two young children to cancer, she devoted her career to building, managing and funding

charitable organizations dedicated to improving quality of life for families and children in the Chicagoland area.