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Davidson joins NCADD-NJ Board of Directors

MERCERVILLE ... (June 26, 2002) - The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence-New Jersey (NCADD-NJ) has elected the Rev. Bruce Davidson to its Board of Directors. Davidson is the national president of the Lutheran AIDS network and serves as the director of the Lutheran Office of Governmental Ministry in New Jersey (LOGM/NJ), one of 18 statewide public policy offices of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

Davidson's duties as LOGM/NJ director include serving on the mission staff of the New Jersey Synod, which comprises 196 congregations and the clergy of the ELCA in New Jersey. As a director, he represents the official positions of the ELCA and the state synod on issues including the environment, economic justice and civil rights before the state Legislature. He will serve a term lasting between one and three years on NCADD-NJ's 11-member board.

Among the credentials that make Davidson particularly suited to the NCADD-NJ board are his volunteer membership on the Work First New Jersey Task Force for the Division of Human Services and his work on the sub-committee on Faith Based Organizations. Davidson was ordained in May 1974 and has served as pastor at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Wildwood (1974-81), St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Teaneck (1981-1992), and St. John's in Summit (1992-1996). He lives in Deleware Township in Hunterdon County.

NCADD-NJ is a private, nonprofit public health agency that promotes the prevention and treatment of, and recovery from, alcoholism and drug dependence through advocacy and education. The agency develops and promotes public policy initiatives and advocates for legislation and regulations that are in keeping with a public health approach to the diseases of alcoholism and drug dependence.

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