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## MARY McLEAN EVANS JOINS FRED L. EMERSON FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**AUBURN, NY** – The Fred L. Emerson Foundation has elected Mary McLean Evans of Wilmington, North Carolina to its board of directors.

"We are extremely pleased to welcome Mary McLean Evans to the Emerson Foundation board. As a fifth-generation family foundation, we look for exceptional individuals to serve as independent directors and bring complementary skills and backgrounds to our board," commented Kristen E. Rubacka, president of the Foundation. "Mary's work in higher education, philanthropy and with other nonprofit organizations makes her eminently qualified to help advance the mission of the Emerson Foundation."

**Mary McLean Evans,** is an accomplished higher education fund-raiser and administrator, having served in various roles at Hamilton College for over 30 years. More recently she has served as Managing Director of the Committee of 200 and as Vice President for Presidential Initiatives for The American University of Paris. She has also served on the boards of St. Luke's-Faxton Hospital, Kelberman Center and the Munson Williams Proctor Institute. Ms. Evans graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hamilton College. She resides in Wilmington, NC.

**Mary McLean Evans** commented, "It is an honor to join the board of the Emerson Foundation, an organization that has had such an impact on so many educational institutions and organizations in Central New York. I look forward to engaging with members of the Emerson family to continue the tradition of philanthropic commitment which began 90 years ago by Fred L.Emerson and which continues to inspire the work of the Foundation today."

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Established in 1932, the Fred L. Emerson Foundation is a private family foundation located in Auburn, New York. The Foundation provides support to not-for-profit organizations in Auburn, New York and the surrounding Central New York area where its founder, Fred L. Emerson, lived and worked. For more information: <u>www.EmersonFoundation.com</u>

Editor's Note: Included is a digital photo of Mary McLean Evans. Photo credit: Camille Vickers