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## Colgate Elects C. Martin Harris to Board of Directors

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Colgate-Palmolive Company today announced that C. Martin Harris, Chief Information Officer and Chairman of the Information Technology Division of The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, has been elected to Colgate's Board of Directors. The Company also announced that Delano E. Lewis, a director from 1991 to 1999 and since 2001, will retire from the Board effective May 6, 2016 at the end of his current term.

C. Martin Harris, MD, 59, brings extensive leadership experience and expertise in the healthcare and information technology fields to Colgate's board. Dr. Harris has been Chief Information Officer and Chairman of the Information Technology Division of The Cleveland Clinic Foundation since 1996 and is a Staff Physician for The Cleveland Clinic Hospital and The Cleveland Clinic Foundation Department of General Internal Medicine. Since 2000, he has also served as Executive Director of e-Cleveland Clinic, a series of e-health clinical programs offered over the Internet.

Delano E. Lewis, Former Senior Fellow, New Mexico State University, will not stand for re-election to the Board of Directors at Colgate's 2016 Annual Meeting. Formerly the U.S. Ambassador to South Africa and Chief Executive Officer and President of National Public Radio, Mr. Lewis has contributed greatly to the Company's success for over two decades, especially through his focus on Colgate's corporate governance and corporate social responsibility.

Commenting on the new director election, Ian Cook, Chairman, President and CEO, said, "We are delighted to welcome Dr. Harris to the Board and are pleased that he will contribute his outstanding capabilities to Colgate. Del Lewis has our profound thanks for his immeasurable contributions to Colgate's business success and governance excellence, and we extend our best wishes for his retirement."

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About Colgate-Palmolive: Colgate-Palmolive is a leading global consumer products company, tightly focused on Oral Care, Personal Care, Home Care and Pet Nutrition. Colgate sells its products in over 200 countries and territories around the world under such internationally recognized brand names as Colgate, Palmolive, Softsoap, Irish Spring, Protex, Sorriso, Kolynos, elmex, Tom's of Maine, Sanex, Ajax, Axion, Soupline, and Suavitel, as well as Hill's Science Diet, Hill's Prescription Diet and Hill's Ideal Balance. For more information about Colgate's global business, visit the Company's web site at <http://www.colgatepalmolive.com>. To learn more about Colgate's global oral health education program, Bright Smiles, Bright Futures™, please visit <http://www.colgatebsbf.com>. CL-C

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