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New foundation president assumes seat on YorkCounts board

York, July 13, 2009 – William R. Hartman, the new president of the York County Community Foundation, joined the board of directors of YorkCounts, a nonprofit based in York Township, York County. Hartman replaces Bob Newcomer, who served as interim president of the Community Foundation since January. Newcomer filled that role after former President Susan Barry left the foundation in December.

Hartman was chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Citizens Republic Bancorp in Flint, Mich. Hartman is a native of York and a graduate of Clarion University. He began a career in banking at Cumberland County National Bank and Union Bank and Trust of Eastern Pennsylvania. He served Hamilton Bank in York, Harrisburg, and Lancaster, and lived in York from 1981 through 1990 while serving as head of the York County region and later as head of bankwide commercial banking. Hartman held positions of increasing responsibility for Bank One Corp., where he served as CEO of several subsidiary corporations in Ohio and Kentucky, and became chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Citizens Republic Bancorp in 2002.

Hartman serves on the board of Kettering University and is a Director of the Detroit Branch of the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank. In York, he served as board chair of the Strand-Capitol Performing Arts Center and as a director of the York Symphony. He has also led successful fundraising campaigns for United Way affiliates and various arts and social service organizations.

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