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Make-A-Wish Foundation® Elects Scott Pitasky to Board of Trustees

Seattle– The Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Alaska, Montana, Northern Idaho and Washington, a nonprofit organization that grants wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions, is pleased to announce that Scott Pitasky has joined the Board of Trustees.

Pitasky is corporate vice president for Microsoft's Human Resources Talent & Organization Capability group. In this position he is responsible for global staffing, talent management, development, organization capability and aspects of the company's learning agenda. This broad role includes efforts to establish Microsoft's global employment brand, find and hire top talent anywhere in the world, and once hired provide the support to manage and develop employees to contribute and achieve their fullest potential.

Pitasky came to Microsoft in August 2001, and has served as director, senior director and general manager of MSN, the Server & Tools Business and Global Staffing, respectively.

Before joining Microsoft, Pitasky was vice president and senior director of Human Resources at Amazon.com in Seattle, where he was responsible for global HR and staffing. He has also held HR positions at AlliedSignal Inc. (now Honeywell), and has had roles in consulting.

After completing his Bachelor of Science in Economics in Finance and Management from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, he began his career as an investment banker with Citicorp in New York.

Pitasky is a frequent keynote speaker at HR industry events and sits on the Michigan State University Advisory Board as well as the Corporate Leadership Council's Talent Management Council. He is also a member of the University of Southern California's Center for Effective Organizations.

Pitasky lives in Sammamish, Wash., with his wife, Rena, and their three sons.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Alaska, Montana, Northern Idaho and Washington grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. Since its inception in 1986, the chapter has granted more than 4,000 wishes to children in the Northwest and will grant 291 wishes this year alone. For more

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