Teleflex Announces Changes to Its Board of Directors

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LIMERICK, Pa., Mar 27, 2006 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Teleflex Incorporated (NYSE:TFX) announced that Lennox K. Black, Chairman of the Board of Directors has announced his intention to retire as Chairman and as a member of the Board, effective with the election of his successor at the company's Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 5, 2006. The Board of Directors has appointed Jeffrey P. Black, President and Chief Executive Officer of Teleflex and a Board member since 2002, to the additional position of Chairman of the Board, which he will assume beginning at the Annual Meeting. William R. Cook, who has been an independent member of the Teleflex Board since 1998 and is the current Chairman of the Audit Committee, will be named to the newly created position of Lead Director of the Board. Mr. Cook will serve a one-year term as Lead Director commencing with the company's 2006 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Lennox Black, who has been Chairman of the Board since 1982, is the former Chief Executive Officer of Teleflex. He has been associated with the company for over 47 years and has served as President and Chief Executive Officer since 1971. In 1982 he was named to the additional position of Chairman of the Board. During his tenure, Teleflex has grown dramatically from a small niche player focused primarily on the aerospace market to a diversified global company serving medical, aerospace, marine, industrial and automotive markets. In 1971, when Mr. Black became President and Chief Executive Officer, Teleflex had annual revenues of $25 million and operations in 3 countries. Today, Teleflex has over $2.5 billion in annual revenues, operations in 24 countries, 20,000 employees and provides highly engineered products and services to customers worldwide.

Jeffrey Black was named President of Teleflex in 2000 and Chief Executive Officer of Teleflex in 2002. Mr. Black has been associated with Teleflex for over 22 years.

In addition, the company announced nominees for election to the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors has nominated John J. Sickler for election for the remainder of Lennox Black's term, which expires in 2008. Mr. Sickler has served as Vice Chairman of Teleflex since 2000, and has been a Teleflex executive since 1972.

For election to the class of directors with terms expiring in 2009, the Board has nominated: Jeffrey P. Black, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Teleflex Incorporated; Sigismundus W.W. Lubsen, Retired Member of the Executive Board, Heineken, N.V.; Judith M. von Seldeneck, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Diversified Search, Inc.; and Harold L. Yoh, III, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, The Day & Zimmerman Group, Inc. All of the nominees for the term expiring 2009 are current members of the Teleflex Board of Directors.

Teleflex Incorporated (NYSE:TFX) is a diversified company with annual revenues of over $2.5 billion. Teleflex designs, manufactures and distributes quality engineered products and services for the commercial, medical and aerospace markets worldwide. Headquartered in Limerick, Pennsylvania, with operations in 24 countries, Teleflex employs more than 20,000 people worldwide who focus on providing innovative solutions for customers.

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