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LONGTIME PLANO I.S.D. VOLUNTEER TO RUN FOR PLANO I.S.D. BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PLANO, TX – January 20, 2009 – Nathan Barbera, a native Plano resident, announced today that he will be a candidate for Place 6 on the Plano Independent School District Board of Trustees. Current Place 6 Trustee, Melody Timinsky is retiring from the board after serving three terms on the Board of Trustees. Barbera has appointed Ann Boswell as his Campaign Treasurer and plans on filing his Application For A Place On The Plano I.S.D. General Election Ballot on the first day applications can be accepted.

“As a student in the Plano I.S.D. from the day I started Kindergarten until the day I graduated from Plano Senior High School, I couldn’t have asked for a better place to grow up and receive an education. My educational experiences in college and law school were better because of the solid foundation I received in the Plano I.S.D.” “The district has grown exponentially in the years since I was a student, in enrollment and educational programming.” “I want to be an active part of expanding the exceptional academic programs the district provides and maintaining the excellence of the district.”

Barbera has served on the Plano I.S.D. 2008 Facilities and Technology Bond Task Force; the Plano I.S.D. 2004 Facilities and Technology Bond Task Force; and the Plano I.S.D. 2002 Blue Ribbon Boundary Committee. He also has been a participant in the 2003 Plano I.S.D. Education Foundation's Educator Internship program. "Nathan has a good understanding of the workings and the finances of this diverse, large district. He is committed to finding solutions for the Plano I.S.D. relating to the complicated Texas school finance issues. Nathan's legacy of community involvement is strong, and his desire to be a part of the Plano I.S.D. Board of Trustees is commendable," said his Campaign Treasurer, Ann Boswell, also a longtime Plano I.S.D. volunteer.

Barbera has an extensive history of volunteering in local organizations. He is currently on the Board of Directors for CITY House and the Plano Rotary Club. He is also a member of the City of Plano Parks and Recreation Planning Board and the Plano Chamber of Commerce. Barbera is a 2002 graduate of Leadership Plano and has served on the Board of Directors for Plano Youth Leadership, the Assistance Center of Collin County, the Plano Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee, and the Advisory Board for the Junior League of Plano.

Barbera, a civil litigation attorney, is a partner with the firm of Vaughan, Ramsey, Barbera & Walvoord, L.L.P. Barbera earned his Juris Doctor at St. Mary's University School of Law in San Antonio and received his Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration from the University of Mississippi.

Barbera lives in Plano with his wife Alisha, a member of the Junior League of Plano, and their newborn son, Palmer. Barbera's parents, Mike and Pam, have lived in Plano for more than 40 years and also have been very active in the community.

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