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Teresa Heinz, chairman of the Pittsburgh-based Heinz Family Philanthropies, recently initiated the prestigious Heinz Awards, an annual program recognizing outstanding vision and achievement in the arts, public policy, technology and the economy, the environment, and the human condition. As chairman of the Howard Heinz Endowment and a trustee of the Vira I. Heinz Endowment, Mrs. Heinz recently initiated the development of a formalized grantmaking program in the environment. The Endowments are also active in the fields of health and human services, education, arts and culture, and economic opportunity.

A leader in the area of the environment, Mrs. Heinz is Vice Chair of the Environmental Defense Fund. She has endowed the creation of a professorship in environmental management at the Harvard Business School and of a chair in environmental policy at the John F. Kennedy School of Government; is a past member of and remains active with the External Advisory Board for Yale University's Institute for Biospheric Studies; and is a co-founder and board member of the Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning. As a member of the Advisory Board for the Earth Communications Office, she has helped pioneer the development of a public service campaign designed to promote citizen involvement in environmental action that has won multiple national and international honors.

Mrs. Heinz serves on the board of the Carnegie Corporation and is a trustee emeritus of the Brookings Institution. She has helped guide educational policy as a board member and trustee of schools in Pittsburgh, Washington D.C., and elsewhere, including Phillips Exeter Academy, St. Paul's School, and Georgetown University. She is a board member of Family Communications, which produces Mister Rogers Neighborhood, and she was a co-founder of the National Council for Families and Television, which works to to enhance the quality of prime time television for children by facilitating discussion of family-related issues by members and observers of the entertainment industry. An advocate for human rights and creative freedom, Mrs. Heinz was an original member and later a Co-Chair of Congressional Wives for Soviet Jewry.

Teresa Heinz, formerly Teresa Simoes-Ferreira, is today married to U.S. Senator John Kerry. Born and raised in Mozambique, she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in romance languages and literature (French, Portuguese and Italian) from the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa. In 1963, she graduated from the Interpreters School of the University of Geneva. Mrs. Heinz, who is fluent in five languages, later served as a full-time consultant to the United Nations Trusteeship in New York City. Mrs. Heinz has been awarded honorary doctorate degrees from Beloit College (Wisconsin), Bank Street College of Education (New York), Drexel University (Pennsylvania), and the Medical College of Pennsylvania.