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R. Gilbert Jost, M.D., Named RSNA President-Elect

CHICAGO – R. Gilbert Jost, M.D., was named President-Elect of the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) Board of Directors today at the Society's annual meeting in Chicago.

Dr. Jost, who was elected to the RSNA Board of Directors in 1999 as the liaison-designate for Communications and Corporate Relations, wears many hats. He is the Elizabeth Mallinckrodt Professor of Radiology, chair of the Department of Radiology at Washington University School of Medicine, director of the Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology and radiologist-in-chief at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Mo.

“It is very satisfying to help shape the future of our specialty at a national and international level by volunteering with the RSNA,” Dr. Jost said. “This year the Board intends to crystallize the long-term goals of the Society and devote more attention to achieving our international goals.”

Among his other responsibilities, Dr. Jost has been an active member of the RSNA Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise (IHE) Planning Committee and the IHE Strategic Committee. He was an influential figure in the adoption of the DICOM standard and was an early promoter of the IHE movement, which has since gained increasing acceptance throughout the world in helping physicians and other staff use technology to communicate within their own institutions and with off-site physicians and imaging systems.

Dr. Jost has been with the Mallinckrodt Institute for more than 30 years. After obtaining his bachelor's degree from Harvard University in Boston, he attended Yale Medical School in New Haven, Conn. He soon became a research associate at the National Institutes of Health in the Laboratory of Neural Control, after which he conducted his residency at the Mallinckrodt Institute. There he found a permanent home and has since made his mark on diagnostic and chest imaging. In 1985, he became a professor of radiology, an affiliate professor of computer science and chief

of diagnostic radiology at Washington University. He assumed the chairmanship of the department in 1999.

Dr. Jost has published more than 120 journal articles, proceedings and book chapters to date. He has presented nearly 100 invited presentations at scientific meetings both locally and abroad. He is a fellow of the American College of Radiology and has the distinction of being named an inaugural fellow of the Society for Computer Applications in Radiology. In 1993, he became a member of the RSNA Electronic Communications Committee and was appointed chairman in 1998.

Dr. Jost has contributed to many RSNA endeavors, including the Strategic Planning Committee, the Education Council, the Publications Council and the Medical Imaging Resource Center (MIRC) Committee. On the Board of Directors, he served as the Liaison for Annual Meeting and Technology.

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RSNA is an association of more than 38,000 radiologists, radiation oncologists, medical physicists and related scientists committed to promoting excellence in radiology through education and by fostering research, with the ultimate goal of improving patient care. The Society is based in Oak Brook, Ill.