Stryker Announces Election of New Director

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Stryker Corporation (NYSE: SYK) announced an increase in the size of its Board of Directors to ten and the election of Allan C. Golston as a director, effective January 1, 2011.

Mr. Golston has served since 2006 as President, United States Program for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and is a director for Malt-O-Meal, a privately held breakfast cereal corporation. Mr. Golston has previously been a Chief Financial and Administrative Officer for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and Director, Finance for Swedish Health Services. Mr. Golston holds a master's degree in business from Seattle University. He also is a Certified Public Accountant.

Stephen P. MacMillan, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Stryker Corporation, said, "Allan's experience as a hospital finance executive, combined with his Gates Foundation role, will bring new and unique perspectives and insights to our Board."

Stryker is one of the world's leading medical technology companies and is dedicated to helping healthcare professionals perform their jobs more efficiently while enhancing patient care. The Company provides innovative orthopaedic implants as well as state-of-the-art medical and surgical equipment to help people lead more active and more satisfying lives. For more information about Stryker, please visit www.stryker.com.

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