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FORESTERS FRIENDLY SOCIETY APPOINTS NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

London, 15 September 2009: Foresters Friendly Society, one of the few UK friendly societies to combine financial services products with the social benefits of a participative local branch network, confirms the recent appointment of Graham Berville to its Board as a non-executive director.

Graham has made significant contributions to the mutual sector, both as director of the Association of Friendly Societies and a founding director – and latterly Chairman of the Association of Mutual Insurers. He has also been a member and Chairman of various ABI committees.

Graham also led the mutual sector's response to the Myners Review with the development and implementation of the Annotated Combined Code for Mutual Insurers.

Prior to his appointment to the Board of Foresters Friendly Society Graham spent seven years as Chief Executive at the Police Mutual (a friendly society). During this time, he substantially diversified, developed and grew the business, culminating with the acquisition of Roland Smith Insurance Brokers, which resulted in the organisation becoming the leading provider of financial services to the Police Family.

Graham also held board level roles at Commercial Union Life, CGU Life and finally Norwich Union Life (now Aviva) and was executive chairman of their unit trust business. He began his career working for the Automobile Association in a range of financial services and retail roles.

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Kevin Dann, Chief Executive, Foresters Friendly Society commented:

“Graham Berville’s appointment reflects our commitment to attracting first class individuals for the benefit of our members. He will join a highly experienced team, one which is well-placed to withstand the current challenges facing the financial services industry. We will look to utilise Graham’s vast industry experience as the Society moves to adapt to operating in the 2010s and seeks to reach its organic growth objectives.”

Commenting on his appointment, Graham Berville said: “Friendly societies have made an important and positive contribution to communities across the UK for generations. However, no mutual is without challenges and I look forward to using my experience to support the significant development underway at Foresters Friendly Society.”

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About Foresters Friendly Society

Foresters Friendly Society was founded in 1834 and offers a range of financial saving, investment, insurance and protection products, as well as educational grants and healthcare support for its members. All financial products come with the accompanying benefits of membership of the Society at no additional cost. There is no obligation to purchase a financial product in order to become a member. The Society currently includes over 70,000 members across 250 UK branches.

Foresters Friendly Society is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority. Incorporated Friendly Society No. 511F. FSA Registration No. 110029. Foresters Membership benefits are not regulated by the FSA.”

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