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## **John Hancock Financial Network Contributes to the MDRT Foundation as a Corporate Silver Sponsor**

Boston, MA (June 24, 2009) - John Hancock Financial Network (JHFN) is an MDRT Foundation Corporate Silver Sponsor for the third consecutive year after making its contribution to the organization for 2009. Founded in 1927, MDRT is a premier, international network of leading financial services professionals. The MDRT Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the MDRT and showcases the generous and caring spirit of MDRT members.

“The MDRT’s focus on excellence, continuous improvement and giving back to the community resonates with our beliefs and is something that many of our financial representatives strive to accomplish,” says Peter Gordon, President of JHFN. “We are happy to support the philanthropic programs of the MDRT Foundation again this year.”

Jennifer Borislow, CLU, the founder and principal of Borislow Insurance in Methuen, MA and an independent firm of Boston Partners - member of JHFN, attests to the value of getting involved in the MDRT. She was named 2008-2009 Secretary of the MDRT Executive Committee and her five-year term will culminate with her presidency in 2012.

“My MDRT membership and active involvement has meant lifelong friendships and new ideas that have changed me and my practice,” explains Borislow. “Just as important, however, is the emphasis on a holistic view of success which includes a balance of personal and professional achievement with civic and charitable work.”

As an active MDRT member for 18 consecutive years, Marcus T. Henderson, Sr, LUTCF, president of Henderson Financial Group in Nashville, TN an independent firm of Innovative Financial Group - member of JHFN, believes that the organization provides the opportunity for financial professionals to take the time to reflect on the challenges facing them and how to overcome those challenges. “All too often we are too busy working ‘in’ our business to get the job done for that day or week,” he says. “The members of the MDRT are some of the best in this business and their shared experiences allow you to learn how to work ‘on’ your business for future growth which includes giving back to the community.”

A notable distinction of the MDRT Foundation is that the grants given by the MDRT Foundation are distributed to organizations in which MDRT members have a vested interest. All grant recipients have either been endorsed by an MDRT member or are receiving money in honor of a member’s high level of involvement.

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