## China Institute Adds Two Members to Its Board of Trustees

Robert Nederlander Jr. and David J. O'Brien join China Institute as Trustees

NEW YORK, February 9, 2018 – Today, China Institute announced the addition of two prominent Trustees to its Board: Robert Nederlander, Jr., the President and CEO of Nederlander Worldwide Entertainment, and David J. O'Brien, EY's partner in charge of the Americas Brand, Marketing and Communications. Mr. Nederlander and Mr. O'Brien will work closely with China Institute's eighteen current Trustees to bridge the United States and China, by sharing insights and deepening trust through the pillars of education, culture and business.

Robert Nederlander, Jr. is an international pioneer in the Chinese cultural industry, having created the first foreign cooperative joint venture in 2005 to operate in China's live performance industry. As part of this joint venture, six theatrical and Broadway productions were presented in China and the United States, including 42nd Street – the first tour of a Broadway show across China – and Soul of Shaolin – the first Chinese show in the modern era to perform on a Broadway stage in New York City. Today, Mr. Nederlander is developing Mandarin language productions of Broadway shows and manages Chinese theaters utilizing the Broadway management model.

David J. O'Brien has 30 years of experience with EY, where he has served clients across the world, and has held a series of Global and Americas leadership roles. He's widely known as an executive who connects, empowers, creates opportunities and drives great team results. In addition to his work at EY, Mr. O'Brien serves on the boards of National Ability Center, in Park City, Utah, and the Children of China Pediatric Foundation, an international health non-profit organization whose doctors have performed life-changing/life-saving surgeries on over 800 orphans. Mr. O'Brien is also a member of the National Committee on US-China Relations, a non-profit organization that encourages cross-cultural understanding and partnership of China and the US.

## **About China Institute**

China Institute advances a deeper understanding of China through programs in education, culture, business and art with the belief that cross-cultural understanding strengthens our global community. Founded in 1926 by a group of American and Chinese educators, China Institute in America is the premier bicultural, non-profit organization in America to focus exclusively on China. The organization promotes the appreciation of Chinese heritage, and provides the historical context for understanding contemporary China. Programs, activities, courses and seminars are offered on the visual and performing arts, culture, history, music, philosophy, language and literature for the general public, children and teachers, as well as for business.

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