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***SAN FRANCISCO CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION CENTER
NAMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR***

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. – The San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center (www.sfcapc.org) names Katharine M. Albright as its new Executive Director. With more than 15 years experience working to protect the well-being of youth, Ms. Albright officially joined SFCAPC on September 4, 2007 to lead the Center’s future efforts dedicated to helping stop the devastating cycle of abuse that endangers children and families in the Bay Area.

Ms. Albright joins SFCAPC from the San Francisco Education Fund, a community-based, non-profit organization supporting quality teaching and learning in San Francisco public schools, where she served as Policy Director leading a public engagement campaign to improve teacher quality and increase student retention.

“We are delighted that Katie has assumed the Executive Director position at the Center. She has extensive experience in all aspects of non-profit management, including operations, strategic planning, fundraising, fiscal management and – most importantly – a personal passion for the Center’s mission of protecting and supporting children in the Bay area,” said Lorraine Cohen, Co-Board President of SFCAPC.

“Katie really understands the issues facing families in San Francisco and has in-depth knowledge of the area of child abuse and neglect. And, as an attorney, she has valuable experience in securing basic education, health and welfare needs for children and their families that directly complement all of the services provided by the San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center,” added Cathy Topham Co-President, Board of Directors, SFCAPC.

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Before joining the Ed Fund, Ms. Albright served as Co-Director of Policy & Outreach at Preschool California, leading a statewide campaign to expand preschool opportunities for California children. While there, Ms. Albright focused on policy development and outreach to early care and education providers, child advocacy organizations, women's groups, religious affiliations and labor unions.

Ms. Albright also worked as a Deputy City Attorney for San Francisco for seven years where she served as Acting General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel for the San Francisco Unified School District. She advised the San Francisco Board of Education and Superintendent on diverse legal issues, including federal and state compliance with education, election, and civil rights laws; charter school reform; budget reform; curriculum development; youth health services and safety; and board governance.

"I am thrilled to be joining the San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center's leadership team. As Executive Director, I plan to work diligently with the Board and dedicated staff to advocate for child abuse prevention, mobilize resources to support youth and families and move the organization to have an even greater impact on the Bay Area community," said Ms. Albright.

Ms. Albright currently serves as a Mayor-appointed Commissioner on the San Francisco Board of Appeals. She also served as a Board of Education- and Superintendent-appointed community member to the Proposition H (Public Education Enrichment Fund) Community Advisory Committee. Ms. Albright has volunteered extensively throughout her career to support children, youth and families. She served as a volunteer judge for Youth Court, a juvenile diversion program in San Francisco. She is a former board member of NARAL Pro-Choice America, NARAL Pro-Choice California, Planned Parenthood Golden Gate, San Francisco Friends of the Children and Youth for Environmental Service.

Ms. Albright graduated *cum laude* from Georgetown University Law Center and received her Bachelor of Arts with honors from Williams College. She is a member of the California and Washington, D.C. bars. She lives in San Francisco with her husband and two elementary school-aged children.

About the San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center (SFCAPC)

The SFCAPC is dedicated to the prevention of child abuse and neglect, the promotion of healthy families and the mental health of children. With direct crisis and intervention programs designed to reduce parental stress, enhance parenting skills and provide comprehensive services for families in need, we provide open-ended support and help families break the cycle of violence. As one of the most comprehensive services providers in San Francisco, we also provide education, training programs and public advocacy for child abuse prevention. Visit www.sfcapc.org for more information.