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**Community Leader Shannon Cofield  
Joins Salisbury House Board of Directors**

Des Moines, IA (November 26, 2012) – Salisbury House & Gardens is pleased to announce the addition of Shannon Cofield as a newly elected member of the Salisbury House Foundation’s Board of Directors.

**Shannon Cofield** was elected to a three-year term to the Salisbury House Foundation’s Board of Directors. Ms. Cofield is currently the Senior Counsel to the President of Drake University, having previously spent eight years as President of the United Way of Central Iowa. Ms. Cofield has extensive leadership experience and an exemplary track record of expertise in fundraising and strategic planning. Some of Ms. Cofield’s most notable involvements include: the Greater Des Moines Partnership Board, the Capital Crossroads Steering Committee Member, the Iowa Regional Workforce Investment Board, and the Iowa Telecommunications and Technology Commission. Ms. Cofield was recognized in 2011 by the Business Record as a Woman of Influence.



*Salisbury House & Gardens is a 42-room historic house museum owned and operated by the Salisbury House Foundation. Built by cosmetics magnate Carl Weeks and his wife, Edith, between 1923 and 1928, the estate was modeled after King’s House in Salisbury, England, and still houses the Weeks family’s historic and significant collection of paintings, sculpture, rare books and documents, antique furniture, and decorative arts.*

