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Hayward Named Andrews Research & Education Foundation President

GULF BREEZE, Fla. (December 11, 2018) – Ashton J. Hayward, III begins serving as president of the Andrews Institute Research & Education Foundation (AREF) effective January 7, 2019. The leadership of AREF selected the former Pensacola mayor to direct the AREF's efforts to fulfill the mission of being an international leader in bringing new and groundbreaking solutions to sports medicine through research and education.

“Hayward’s visionary leadership and result-oriented mindset will help AREF continue to advance the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of athletic injuries and enhance human performance and quality of life for people of all ages,” said James Andrews, M.D., founding partner and president of the AREF Board.

Hayward joins AREF from the City of Pensacola where he served as mayor for the past eight years.

“I am honored, humbled and excited to take on this role with the Andrews Research & Education Foundation,” said Hayward. “I deeply believe in the Foundation’s mission to help improve the quality of life for people and professionals all over the country. I look forward to ensuring that AREF is the definitive destination for advancements in sports medicine.”

In addition to leading edge research and evidence-based education, AREF supports doctors and scientists through fellowships, scholarships and grants. The Foundation also facilitates the Eagle Fund, an important program providing world-class care to hundreds of America’s special operations warriors who have been injured.

As mayor, Hayward managed a city staff of nearly 800 team members and a budget of more than \$200 million. Hayward’s guidance was integral in economic development initiatives that have created a culture where businesses can grow and thrive in Pensacola.

His advocacy efforts with community and state partners resulted in streamlined operations, reduced crime and improved city services. Prior to serving as mayor, Hayward worked in New York City for AT&T Corporation and the Financial Times.

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About the Andrews Research & Education Foundation

Established to develop sports and musculoskeletal medicine programs to prevent and treat injury, Andrews Research & Education Foundation (AREF) is committed to improving the quality of life of people of all ages while increasing human performance and wellness through our research and education initiatives. Learn more at www.AndrewsREF.org.

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