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**Roger Horchow honors wife with \$100,000 gift to support  
physical medicine and rehabilitation programs at UT Southwestern**

DALLAS – Nov. 4, 2009 – Dallas philanthropist and retail entrepreneur Roger Horchow has given \$100,000 to support physical medicine and rehabilitation programs at UT Southwestern Medical Center in memory of his late wife, Carolyn.

The donation, which will create the Carolyn P. Horchow Fund, was made in honor of the staff in the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, where Mrs. Horchow was treated in the final years of her life. She died in June at age 75.

“Carolyn was behind this gift because she felt like the rehab department had become her second home, and she developed a real friendship with so many of the folks there,” Mr. Horchow said. “Everyone was genuinely interested in helping her and, even after her health deteriorated and she could no longer leave our house, staff members would come by after work just to see her and show her their genuine affection.

“In this day of so much impersonal and perfunctory interactions between people in so many enterprises, it is wonderful to see UT Southwestern’s high standards, which are maintained by the compassionate staff in the physical medicine and rehabilitation department.”

Mrs. Horchow, who held a Bachelor of Arts from Connecticut College, served on the Board of Visitors for UT Southwestern University Hospitals & Clinics, and the boards of the Visiting Nurse Association of Texas and the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth. She was active in numerous other civic organizations, including the Dallas Women’s Foundation, the Charter 100 Club of Dallas, the American Red Cross, United Way of Dallas and the Crystal Charity Ball.

Mr. Horchow, who holds a Bachelor of Arts and an honorary doctorate of humane letters from Yale University, is a Broadway producer, an author and the founder of the Horchow Collection.

He began his retail career in 1953 as a buyer at Foley’s Department Store in Houston. In 1960 he moved to Dallas and joined Neiman Marcus, where he became vice president of merchandise and, in 1969, vice president of the mail-order department. In 1971 he left Neiman Marcus to launch the Horchow Collection, the country’s first mail-order catalog to feature luxurious goods, which he sold to Neiman Marcus in 1988.

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Mr. Horchow, who co-produced four Tony Award-winning Broadway musicals – *Crazy for You*, *Kiss Me Kate*, *Curtains* and *Gypsy* – has served a long list of national and local nonprofit organizations, including the Committee for the Preservation of the White House; the Museum of Modern Art of New York; the Yale University Gallery in New Haven, Conn.; the Jefferson Awards for Public Service; KERA-FM; and the Dallas Museum of Art. He also has written several books. His most recent work, *The Art of Friendship* (co-written with daughter Sally), was released in 2005.

The Horchows, who were married in 1960, have been longtime supporters of UT Southwestern. In 1988 they established the S. Roger and Carolyn P. Horchow Chair in Cardiac Research, in Honor of Jere H. Mitchell, M.D. In 1994 they established the Carolyn and S. Roger Horchow Research Fund to support immunology and AIDS/cancer research at the medical center. In 2004 the couple donated \$1.5 million to create the Horchow Family Endowment for Scholars in Pediatrics. The couple also supported the construction of UT Southwestern University Hospital - Zale Lipshy and contributed to the Dr. Bryan Williams Student Assistance Fund, the Bryan Williams, M.D. Student Center and the recently established Kern Wildenthal Fund for Medical Excellence.

Before Mrs. Horchow's death, the couple gave the medical center more than 135 works of folk art that they had collected on their many travels throughout the world. Amassed over four decades, the artifacts will be displayed in the new 12-story tower under construction on the North Campus in honor of the medical district's pediatric patients and the faculty members who care for them through clinical care and research.

"The Horchows' ongoing commitment to the medical center has been essential in our ability to establish and maintain excellent programs like we have in our physical medicine and rehabilitation department," said Dr. Daniel K. Podolsky, president of the medical center. "The Horchows were true partners in life and in philanthropy, so this gift that Roger has made in memory of Carolyn is particularly meaningful to all of us. We all are very touched by this expression of gratitude."

Dr. Karen Kowalske, chair of physical medicine and rehabilitation, said, "Mrs. Horchow was an absolute pleasure to be around, and her kindness and warmth came through in each encounter. We're so thrilled and moved by this wonderful gesture, and are grateful to the Horchows by what they have done to enrich our department and our lives."

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