



Hyde Park Capital Announces J. Joseph Kruse Joins Hyde Park Capital's Advisory Board

Tampa, FL – July 24, 2007 – Hyde Park Capital Partners, LLC announced today that J. Joseph Kruse has joined Hyde Park Capital's Advisory Board as a Director. Mr. Kruse is Hyde Park Capital's eighth Advisory Board member and joins Chairman Bill McBride and Directors Lynn Evans, Hjalma Johnson, Walter Revell, John Sykes, John Torell and Jerry Williams.

"We are grateful Mr. Kruse has joined our Advisory Board. He brings extensive business experience and understanding to an already impressive Board, and we greatly value his insight," said John Hill, Jr., Senior Managing Director of Hyde Park Capital Partners, LLC.

"Mr. Kruse will be a valuable addition to our group. He is a well-respected member of the community with a wealth of knowledge to share, and I look forward to working with him," added Chairman Bill McBride.

Mr. Kruse said, "I am very pleased and honored to join Hyde Park Capital Partners. Their high degree of success is due to their professional management and the personal attention and service their clients receive. I look forward to helping them continue their expansion into other markets and new endeavors."

Mr. Kruse is Chairman, President and CEO of Kruse & Co, Inc., a merchant banking firm. He serves on the Board of Directors of CNL Funds, a global, real estate mutual fund. He also is Chairman of Topsider Building Systems, a manufacturer of commercial and residential buildings. He is also a Senior Advisor to Process Sensors, manufacturer of NIR sensors, and Chairman of Professional Facilities Management that oversees the operations of several performing arts centers. Previously, he served on the Board of Trustreet Properties, a self advised REIT in the restaurant industry, as well as on the Board of CNL Restaurant Properties and CNL Hospitality Properties, a hotel REIT. He was a Director of Gateway American Bank in Ft. Lauderdale. Mr. Kruse also serves on the Board of the Center for Entrepreneurship at the University of Florida.

Mr. Kruse graduated from the University of Florida and from Florida State University. He also graduated from the Advanced Management Program of the Harvard Graduate School of Business and the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies.

Previously, Mr. Kruse was a Senior Vice President with Textron Inc. for twenty years, and then served as Senior Vice President and partner at G. William Miller & Co., a firm founded by the former Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board and later Secretary of the Treasury of the United States.

Mr. Kruse has received Presidential Citations from the President and Vice President of the United States for government service. He has been recognized in Who's Who in America, Who's Who in American Business and Who's Who in the South and Southeast.

He served as Chairman of Saint Leo University; he was born in St. Petersburg and now lives on Pine Island in Hernando County, Florida.

About Hyde Park Capital

Hyde Park Capital is an institutionally focused investment banking firm serving the corporate finance needs of companies typically located in Florida and the Southeastern United States. Our principals have extensive investment banking experience executing merger & acquisition engagements, including purchase and sale of company assignments, recapitalizations, financial advisory, fairness opinions and raising growth capital for companies, including equity, mezzanine and senior debt. With experience in the technology, healthcare, financial services, business services, consumer, and industrial sectors, we broadly represent outstanding growth companies in any industry. As one of the most active investment banking firms in Florida and the Southeast, our professionals have advised on more than 300 investment banking transactions totaling more than \$10 billion in transaction value. Hyde Park Capital is headquartered in Tampa, Florida and is a member of the NASD and SIPC.

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