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NFL ALUMNI TO RE-EMBRACE HISTORIC MISSION OF SPEAKING UP FOR RETIRED PLAYERS

ORLANDO, Fla. — NFL Alumni, an organization started 40 years ago to seek pension benefits for the pioneer players of the NFL, will expand its membership and the scope of its activities to emphasize support for retired players in medical and financial need, it was announced today.

As part of the restructuring, NFL Alumni now will focus on key issues affecting retired players such as medical, financial, and post-career counseling, while also continuing to support youth charities. The alumni group in 1967 became a non-profit organization primarily focused in its local chapters on youth activities through its “Caring for Kids” program.

The decision to expand the Alumni’s mission was approved today by the NFL Alumni Board of Directors at its Annual Convention in Orlando, Florida.

As an initial step, NFL Alumni has formed an alliance with other retired players and Fourth and Goal, a retired NFL player advocacy organization based in Baltimore and headed by former Baltimore Colts Pro Bowl player Bruce Laird.

While evolving as an organization and returning to its heritage by supporting retired players, NFL Alumni also will continue to support youth programs through its local chapters.

“We recognize that many retired players have been looking for an independent football organization such as ours to represent their interests,” said Lee Nystrom, NFL Alumni’s chairman. “We have resources and are ready to do so as a national organization and do even more to address these important needs. We look forward to working together with Fourth & Goal and other retired players groups to support the individuals and their families who have contributed to the NFL’s success.”

“We are excited to join NFL Alumni to support retired players more effectively in a common effort,” said Laird. “We welcome the input, resources and cooperation of all retired players with the singular goal of helping our former teammates and opponents.”

ABOUT NFL ALUMNI

NFL Alumni is a 501 (c) (3) charity composed of former NFL players and associate members who work voluntarily to raise funds for youth-oriented causes. The NFL Alumni advances its motto of “Caring for Kids” from its national headquarters in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and an additional 30 chapters across the country. For more information, visit www.nflalumni.org or call Amy Glanzman at (954) 630-2100.

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