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New Fund Raises Money to Find Cure for Neurological Disorders

Knoxville, Tenn., February 14, 2011 – The KiMe Fund, a field-of-interest fund of East Tennessee Foundation, which focuses on finding a cure for neurological disorders, with an initial emphasis on Parkinson’s disease, hosted its inaugural Board meeting on January 29, 2011 at the University of Tennessee Medical Center with a reception that followed.

Steve Hodges, Founder and Chairman, KiMe Fund said, “After almost a year of planning and preparation, I am proud we have launched this Fund with a clear mission of focusing on finding a cure for neurological disorders. I am pleased with the seated Board members who hail from four states and their commitment to serving based on their respective areas of expertise which includes business, finance, fund raising, and medicine.” Hodges further noted, “We have plans to raise money in Knoxville, DC, Chicago, Las Vegas, and Houston to support research that has the best chance for finding a cure.”

The KiMe Fund was established on December 3, 2010 through East Tennessee Foundation (ETF), a 501(c) (3) nonprofit community foundation. “KiMe” is the founder’s shorthand for his daughters Kim and Megan. It is symbolic of the drive to cure neurological disorders before the next generation of children everywhere.

To learn more about the KiMe Fund or to donate visit www.kimecnd.org.

About East Tennessee Foundation

East Tennessee Foundation was established in 1986 and has total assets of \$ 155.6 million with 360 funds adding KiMe Fund as their most recent addition to the Foundation. For more information please visit www.easttennesseefoundation.org.

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