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WERBICKI NAMED PRESIDENT AND CEO OF FOOD BANK

RALEIGH – The Board of Directors of the **Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina** announces **Peter Werbicki** has been named as its **President and Chief Executive Officer**. **Werbicki** has been serving as Acting President and CEO since **June 1st** of this year.

"Peter brings enthusiasm and ability to his new job as well as years of experience with the Food Bank", said Food Bank **Board Chair Walter R. Rogers, Jr.** "He has a remarkable commitment to the Food Bank's mission."

Werbicki joined the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina in August 1997 as Director of Operations and was promoted to Vice President of Operations in 2006.

He succeeds Jane F. Cox who served as President and CEO for nine years.

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina distributes to **34 counties** in central and eastern North Carolina through **five branches** in **Durham, Greenville, Raleigh (main), Sandhills (Southern Pines) and Wilmington** with more than **32.6 million pounds** of food supplied to those in need last year.

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About the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina is a nonprofit organization that provides food for people who are hungry in 34 counties in central and eastern North Carolina. The Food Bank serves a network of 870 partner agencies offering soup kitchens, food pantries, shelters, and programs for children and adults. In fiscal year 2006-2007, the Food Bank distributed more than 32.6 million pounds of food and non-food essentials through these agencies. Sadly, hunger remains a serious problem in central and eastern North Carolina. In these counties, more than 400,000 struggle each day to provide enough food for their families. www.foodbankcenc.org.