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**Steve Case, Carly Fiorina to Co-Chair
Miller Center's Milstein Commission on
Entrepreneurship and Middle-Class Job Creation
*Commissioners Available for Interviews
in DC May 12 and 13***

Steve Case, chairman and CEO of Revolution, and Carly Fiorina, former chairman and CEO of Hewlett-Packard, will co-chair a new University of Virginia Miller Center commission that will focus on entrepreneurship and middle-class job creation, in partnership with the Batten Institute at U.Va.'s Darden School of Business.

The effort is part of the Milstein Symposium: Ideas for a New American Century, a Miller Center initiative that is bringing together policymakers, business leaders, scholars, and journalists to define and advance ideas and policies to help create middle-class jobs. In the symposium's first year, separate commissions are studying job creation in three areas: entrepreneurship; manufacturing; and infrastructure investment.

In addition to Case and Fiorina, commission members include:

- Ross Baird, executive director, Village Capital
- Aaron "Ronnie" Chatterji, Duke University's Fuqua School of Business; former senior economist, White House Council of Economic Advisers
- Amy Cospers, vice president and editor-in-chief, "Entrepreneur" magazine
- James Douglas, former governor of Vermont, 2003-2011
- Maya MacGuineas, president, Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget
- Jen Medbery, founder, Kickboard

- Brian Meece, CEO, RocketHub
- Lenny Mendonca, entrepreneur and director emeritus, McKinsey & Company
- Karen Mills, senior fellow, Harvard Business School; former administrator, U.S. Small Business Administration
- Warren Thompson, president and chairman, Thompson Hospitality Services

The Batten Institute's Sean D. Carr and Michael Lenox will serve as lead scholars of the commission.

"The promise of America lies in the strength of our middle class and the ingenuity of our entrepreneurs. Our mission is to develop and advance policies that will encourage a resurgence of American entrepreneurship and focus attention on unlocking the potential of our vibrant startup economy to support large numbers of middle-class jobs. I look forward to working with Carly and the distinguished members of this commission to generate actionable proposals that will restart entrepreneurship as a provider and guarantor of the American Dream for future generations," said Case, co-founder of AOL and current chairman and CEO of Revolution.

Fiorina said, "Entrepreneurs built America and the American middle class. We need to encourage the creation, and sustain the success, of small and new businesses everywhere so that all Americans can prosper."

Commission members will meet in Washington, D.C. on May 12 and 13 to address several questions, including:

- What type of entrepreneurial activity has been successful in generating stable, middle-class employment? What are the companies and sectors that can create middle-class jobs?
- What are the new and emerging technologies that will reduce entry barriers for middle-class entrepreneurs – and how can we expand access to those technologies?
- What are the most effective ways to educate various populations for middle-class employment in entrepreneurial ventures and for the middle-class to start new ventures?
- What public (i.e., local, state, and federal) and private (i.e., corporate, non-profit, foundation) policy levers are available to increase middle-class entrepreneurship?
- What opportunities can we give to middle-class individuals to become entrepreneurs? How do we remove the barriers that prevent entrepreneurs from creating middle-class jobs?

If you are interested in interviewing a commission member on May 12 or 13, please email or call one of the contacts below.

Also as part of the Milstein Symposium, another commission has been studying how to expand small- and medium-sized manufacturing. That commission, co-chaired by former Governors Haley Barbour and Evan Bayh, will release a report of recommendations at the National Press Club in Washington on June 13.

The Milstein Symposium was created by the Miller Center and Howard P. Milstein, a businessman, entrepreneur, civic leader and philanthropist. Support for the program is provided through the Howard and Abby Milstein Foundation and Emigrant Bank.

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