American Cancer Society Honors James W. Murray with the Volunteer Leadership Award

Award honors accomplishments to the cancer fight

Atlanta, GA – January 13, 2017 – James W. Murray from Durham, NC has been honored with the Volunteer Leadership Award, a prestigious national honor for volunteers with extraordinary contributions to the fight against cancer through humanitarian, distinguished service, and leadership. The award was presented during a ceremony in Atlanta on January 12, 2017.

“We are privileged to present this award to Mr. Murray as an exemplary volunteer leader for his inspirational accomplishments and dedication,” said Arnold M. Baskies, MD, FACS, chair, American Cancer Society Board of Directors. “We are honored to have such incredible volunteers whose work is substantially helping us achieve our mission to free the world from the pain and suffering of cancer.”

Mr. Murray is a dedicated volunteer with extensive experience and contributions at all levels of the organization, including serving on the American Cancer Society Board of Directors for six years (2000 to 2006), and continues to lead the South Atlantic Division as a Division Board member. In over 30 years as a volunteer, he has played a vital role as a champion for positive changes to volunteers and staff. Mr. Murray was instrumental in promoting cancer screenings, access to care, and the CPS-3 study on behalf of the South Atlantic Division.

He continues to serve at the national level through various Board committees, including the Volunteer Engagement group. He utilizes that knowledge and work to help influence the Division focus, and most recently helped produce the Board of Director Guiding Principles. Mr. Murray continuously finds ways to contribute to the work of the Society through his diverse background, extensive volunteer experience, and as a role model for others helping to make an impact in saving more lives from cancer.