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Mr. Michael W. Grebe

President and CEO

The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation, Inc.

1241 North Franklin Place

Milwaukee, WI 53202-2901

Dear Mr. Grebe:

It is a great pleasure for me to second the nomination of Phil Truluck for the 2015 Bradley Prize. Mr. James De Mint of the Heritage Foundation made the nomination.

Phil has served on the Center for International Private Enterprise’s (CIPE) Board with distinction for many years and was one of our founders in 1983. He has been a leading force in CIPE’s strategy to establish and work with think tanks to provide democratic and free market institutions around the world. I’ve worked closely with Phil during this period as the Executive Director.

**As one of the leading practitioners in building Think Tanks, Phil played a key role in launching CIPE’s programs in Eastern Europe following the fall of the Berlin Wall and the collapse of the Soviet Union. One example of his active contribution to CIPE’s programs is the work he did with us at our regional conference in Ukraine creating a network of thinks tanks. He also played a key role in developing thinks tanks in the Middle East.**

**CIPE has relied heavily on Phil and the Heritage Foundation to provide capacity building to our partners abroad and to strengthen the policy analysis and advocacy capacity of think tanks in countries striving to strengthen their democratic institutions.**

**In addition, Phil’s support for CIPE’s Think Tank LINKS program, including the hosting of fellows at Heritage, has enabled young think tank leaders to gain the skills necessary to be an effective part of the policy debate in their home countries.**

**As a member of CIPE’s Board, Phil has led our efforts to build our internal governance and in recruiting and developing the Board to be an effective leadership body for the organization.**

**Phil’s policy expertise and the impact of his work both with Heritage and CIPE makes him the ideal candidate for your prestigious award**.

Sincerely



John D. Sullivan

Executive Director