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Troy Strother Named Executive Director for Parents Anonymous[®] of South Carolina

Parents Anonymous[®] of South Carolina Board of Directors has selected Troy Strother, as Executive Director, effective June 1, 2010. Mr. Strother was most recently a consultant for YouthBuild USA and the Director of Programs for the Boys & Girls Club of the Trident Area. According to Tiffany Howard, Board President, "Mr. Strother will continue his life-long commitment to supporting youth and their families while maintaining the great work that has made Parents Anonymous[®] of South Carolina what it is today. He will put his community involvement, his non-profit knowledge, and his experience with at-risk youth, with innovative education and with varied youth development programs to work by expanding Parents Anonymous[®] programs to provide services for more families throughout South Carolina."

Mr. Strother comes to Parents Anonymous[®] with twenty years of experience in the field of education and non-profit management. He was Executive Director of Youth Service Charleston

and instrumental in merging that agency with the Boys & Girls Club of the Trident Area in 2002. Before coming to Charleston, Strother was Core to Careers Director, consulting for the National Association of Service and Conservation Corps, and prior to that he served as Associate Executive Director of Dallas Youth Services. His career began as the Principal Instructor of GED classes for a youth training program with the New York City Housing Authority.

Strother's community activities include membership on The Mayor's Commission for Children, Youth and Families, The Drop Out Prevention Task Force, The Advisory Council for the Charleston County School Health Committee, The National Association of Service and Conservation Corp., The Low Country's Promise, Association of Fundraising Professionals, National Youth Employment Coalition, and Kettering Foundation Community Educators. He is a New York City native with a BFA from the College of Santa Fe, NM and a Masters in Education from NYU. Troy, his wife, Gina and their 11-year old daughter Gabrielle have lived in Charleston for seven years.

Parents Anonymous[®] is a private nonprofit organization that has operated for 30 years in South Carolina, working to strengthen families, promote parent leadership and prevent child abuse and neglect. Parents Anonymous[®] groups are offered in the Charleston, SC Tricounty area as well as across South Carolina through sixteen affiliate agencies. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Donna Xenakis, Tri-county coordinator at 747-0480 extension 27, e-mail donnaxenakis@bellsouth.net or visit the website at www.paofsc.org.

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