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**Kaltenberg Joins Easterseals Wisconsin Board of Directors**

Madison, WI – Alan Kaltenberg of Arlington, has been named as a director of the Easterseals Wisconsin Board of Directors. The statewide board consists of 18 individuals who dedicate their time to support Easterseals Wisconsin programs that assist people with disabilities across the state.

As a farmer, Alan was first introduced to Easterseals Wisconsin's FARM Program through its partnership with the UW-Cooperative Extension, better known as AgrAbility of Wisconsin. This unique program works with farmers to help them return to farming after a disabling accident or illness. Alan, who is a farmer with disabilities, worked with a Rehabilitation Specialist who suggested changes and improvements to make his farming operation safer and easier. He has been an advocate for the organization ever since, speaking at special events to help bring awareness and raise funds for Easterseals Wisconsin's programs and services.

Paul Leverenz, President and CEO of Easterseals Wisconsin welcomes Alan to the board, "We are encouraged to have the guidance from someone who has lived and worked with a disability the majority of his life. His invaluable perspective will inform and guide our decisions and, undoubtedly, lead to stronger programming and services within our organization."

"I'm looking forward to working with an organization that has helped me and so many others," expresses Kaltenberg.

Alan resides in Arlington. He is on the Leeds Town Board, is a past-president of Equity Columbian Co-op, and has worked on the Columbia County Board of Adjustment, his Church Council, and the Columbia County Snowmobile Council.

**About Easterseals Wisconsin:** For 95 years, Easterseals Wisconsin ([www.EastersealsWisconsin.com](http://www.EastersealsWisconsin.com)) has provided services that help children and adults with disabilities gain greater independence. Easterseals Wisconsin's primary services – vocational rehabilitation, respite services, camping and recreation, information and referral, and public education – benefit close to 10,000 individuals with disabilities and their families each year throughout Wisconsin.

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