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SARCOMA FOUNDATION PRESIDENT TAPPED BY NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTION FOR PANEL REVIEWING SCIENCE ON SARCOMA

***Mark Thornton Available for Interviews and Comments on: State of Sarcoma
Science, Need for New Treatments; Future Research to Cure the “Forgotten”
Cancer***

WASHINGTON (Jan. 24, 2003)- The Sarcoma Foundation of America’s (SFA) chairman and president, Mark Thornton, M.D., Ph.D., was tapped by the National Cancer Institute to participate in its Progress Review Team on Sarcoma. Dedicated to keeping a national spotlight on the search for an eventual cure for the “forgotten” cancer, Dr. Thornton is available for interviews to discuss the state of science on sarcoma, and the need to discover new treatments through future research. What: Discussion/Interview with the Sarcoma Foundation of America’s chairman and president. For more information about SFA, visit www.curesarcoma.org. Who: Mark Thornton, MD, Ph.D. For almost two years, Dr. Thornton has been the driving force behind SFA’s mission to find better treatments, additional funding for research and an eventual cure for sarcoma. When: Available upon request: telephone or in-person Contact: Richard Price The Aker Partners 202-789-2424 rprice@akerpartners.com

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Quick Facts About Sarcoma

Sarcoma is a rare cancer in adults (1 percent of all adult cancers) but rather prevalent in children (about 20 percent of all childhood cancers). At any one time, 50,000 patients and their families are struggling with sarcoma. Every year, about 10,000 new cases are diagnosed, and about 5,000 people die from sarcoma.

About the Sarcoma Foundation of America

The Sarcoma Foundation of America (SFA), a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit charitable organization, is an advocate for increased research to find new and better therapies with which to treat patients with sarcoma. SFA raises its own funds to provide research grants to sarcoma researchers. SFA also interacts with public, private for-profit, and private non-profit organizations to raise awareness of the treatment needs of sarcoma patients. For more information, please visit www.curesarcoma.org.