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### THE TEAM THAT CREATED “*HADROSAURUS FOULKII*: THE DINOSAUR THAT CHANGED THE WORLD”

PHILADELPHIA—The creation of “*Hadrosaurus foulkii*: The Dinosaur That Changed the World” was an Academy of Natural Sciences’ team effort that spanned months of planning and execution. Every member of the museum staff and several scientists were involved somehow in the process. Here are the key officials:

#### EXHIBIT CURATORS

**Dr. Ted Daeschler** is Vice President for Systematic Biology and the Library, Associate Curator and Chair of Vertebrate Zoology, and a paleontologist. Daeschler is an expert on Dr. Joseph Leidy and *Hadrosaurus foulkii*. Daeschler joined the Academy in 1987 as collection manager for Vertebrate Zoology and earned his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. Daeschler’s research focuses on collecting and describing Late Devonian fossil vertebrates from Pennsylvania and the Canadian Arctic. In 2006 he led a team that discovered a transitional species that has features of both fish and limbed animals.

**Robert Peck** is Senior Fellow of the Academy and a writer, naturalist, and historian. He is an expert on Dr. Joseph Leidy and Benjamin Waterhouse Hawkins. His most recent book, “All in the Bones,” is a biography of Hawkins. He has written four other books including the 1990 “Land of the Eagle: A Natural History of North America,” a companion to a B.B.C./P.B.S. television series. He has written many articles for scholarly and popular magazines. Peck joined the Academy in 1976 as assistant to the director and has worn many hats since then.

#### EXHIBIT DEVELOPER/PROJECT MANAGER

**Barbara Ceiga** is Vice President for Public Operations and Director of Exhibits. She is responsible for the overall concept and execution of the exhibit. A Chicago-area native, Ceiga joined the Academy in fall 2006 and has steadily worked to revamp public and school programs and to renovate the museum. Previously, she was a senior exhibit developer at The Field Museum in Chicago, where she developed “Sue, the *T. rex*” exhibit.

#### EXHIBIT CONTRIBUTOR

**Research Casting International** of Ontario, Canada, created and installed the skeleton of *Hadrosaurus foulkii*. RCI is one of the world’s largest providers of museum technical services.

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