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Omaha, NE (BRK.A; BRK.B) — Susan T. Buffett, wife of Warren E. Buffett and President of the Buffett Foundation, died early this morning in Cody, Wyoming after suffering a stroke at the ranch of investor Herbert Allen where she and Mr. Buffett were making an annual visit. She was 72.

In commenting, Allen Greenberg, Executive Director of the Buffett Foundation, said, “She will be remembered by all who knew her as a quiet humanitarian whose voice spoke for disadvantaged women around the world. She was deeply touched by the hardships faced by the world’s poorest, especially women. She was far-sighted in establishing programs in countries whose needs were generally overlooked. She did this work quietly and never cared about receiving credit or acknowledgement.”

For over 40 years Mrs. Buffett fulfilled her commitment to social justice through personal activities and as President of the Buffett Foundation. She began this work in Omaha in the 1960’s working with a variety of civil rights and educational organizations. This work expanded to include support for organizations working in the field of family planning and reproductive health, both in the U.S. as well as internationally. In recent years she traveled to many countries, including Viet Nam, Turkey, India, Ghana, South Africa, and Mexico, to see first hand the struggles women face.

“She was as comfortable in a small village in India as she was in a friend’s home in the U.S.,” Mr. Greenberg continued. “Susie loved talking with a broad range of people about their lives. She had an amazing ability to connect with anyone. They knew she cared about them and would do what she could to help improve their lives.”

“She was a compassionate and caring person who helped many friends face death. She took a long time friend in the final stages of AIDS to visit the Dalai Lama in India. This was a lifelong dream of his and it was Susie’s mission to see it come true,” Mr. Greenberg said.

She is survived by husband Warren Buffett of Omaha, Nebraska; three children, Susan Buffett of Omaha, Nebraska, Howard Buffett of Decatur, Illinois, and Peter Buffett of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; nine grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to:

Glide Memorial Church
330 Ellis Street
San Francisco, CA 94102

Planned Parenthood of Nebraska and Council Bluffs
4610 Dodge Street
Omaha, NE 68132

Central High School
124 N. 20th Street
Omaha, NE 68102

Details of a memorial service will be announced at a later date.

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