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## WESFARMERS BOARD RESIGNATION

Patricia Cross has announced her resignation from the board of Wesfarmers following the appointment of her husband, Paul Meadows, as Group General Counsel to the company.

Mrs Cross has been a non-executive director of Wesfarmers since 2003. She has been a member of the Wesfarmers Board Remuneration and Nomination Committees.

"It's been an honour and a privilege to serve on the board of this great Australian company for the last seven years," Mrs Cross said. "I wish the board and management all the very best in their future endeavours."

Wesfarmers chairman, Dr Bob Every, said Mrs Cross had been an outstanding contributor to Wesfarmers board for seven years and her experience and expertise would be greatly missed.

"Tricia has always combined outstanding financial skills, deep understanding and experience in global financial markets with a keen perception and grasp of operational and peoplerelated matters so crucial to the successful implementation of strategies."

Dr Every said Wesfarmers board was constantly reviewing potential new members and a replacement for Mrs Cross would be announced soon.

Her resignation from the Wesfarmers board will be effective from the end of March, 2010.

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