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Walter N. Thayer has been elected a Trustee of The Museum of Modern Art, David Rockefeller, Chairman of the Board, announced today. At the same time, Mr. Rockefeller announced that Wallace K. Harrison, a Trustee since 1939, has been named an Honorary Trustee for Life.

A lawyer and corporate executive, Mr. Thayer is a partner in the investment firm of WCC Associates, President of Whitney Communications Corporation, and a Director of Bankers Trust Company, Corinthian Broadcasting Corporation, and National Dairy Products Company. He was President of the New York Herald Tribune from 1961-66. After graduation from Yale Law School, Mr. Thayer served as Assistant to the Attorney General of New York, and as an Assistant U. S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York. He was a member of the Harriman Mission to London from 1942 to 1945, and served as General Counsel to the Foreign Economic Administration in 1945. He was a partner in the firm of Thayer and Gilbert from 1945 to 1955.

Mr. Thayer is a Trustee of Columbia University in the City of New York, the Citizens' Research Foundation, the Committee for Economic Development, and the Vocational Foundation, Inc., of which he is also Chairman.

Wallace K. Harrison, Partner of the architectural firm of Harrison and Abramovitz, has served as a Trustee since 1939. In 1941 he was Vice Chairman of the Board and has served at various times as a member of the Executive, Building, Program, Architecture, and Exhibition Committees. He is currently a member of the Building Committee and of the International Council of the Museum.

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