

MARK BURROWS APPOINTED DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SYDNEY, 23 September, 2005: – Mr Ronald Walker, Chairman of the Board of Directors of John Fairfax Holdings Limited [ASX:FXJ] announced today that Mr Mark Burrows has been elected Deputy Chairman of the Board.

In the 2005 financial year, Mr Burrows chaired the Audit and Risk Committee and was a member of the Nominations Committee of the Board.

Mr Burrows, who is a Managing Director of Lazard and Chairman of Lazard Australia, is Deputy Chairman of Brambles Industries Limited and a Director of Burns Philp & Company Limited, and a recently appointed Director of Carter Holt Harvey Limited.

“Mark is one of our most experienced directors and has served with distinction. He will make an outstanding contribution as Deputy Chairman, and I look forward to working more closely with him,” Mr Walker said.

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