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**BioAdvance Appoints Former Governor Mark Schweiker
to its Board of Directors**

*-- Schweiker's proven commitment to the life sciences and workforce development
strengthens BioAdvance's mission --*

Philadelphia, PA – June 3, 2003 -- BioAdvance, the Biotechnology Greenhouse of Southeastern Pennsylvania, today announced that Mark S. Schweiker has joined its board of directors. Mr. Schweiker is former governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and currently is president and chief executive officer of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce.

“I am honored to be joining the Board of Directors of BioAdvance, and optimistic about the possibilities of what we can accomplish,” Schweiker said. “Biotechnology and the life sciences will be a major driver as we build this region’s innovation economy. I look forward to the successes that will grow from the Greenhouse Fund, and to the jobs and economic development that it will provide for Greater Philadelphia.”

Under Mr. Schweiker’s tenure as Lieutenant Governor and as Governor of Pennsylvania, the Commonwealth invested \$2 billion to build and grow life science businesses in Pennsylvania; BioAdvance is one of three life sciences greenhouses established under this initiative. Following his term as Governor, Mr. Schweiker joined the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, which supports and encourages the continued growth of each of its nearly 6,000 member companies across the Greater Philadelphia region, and the business community at large.

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“Mark Schweiker’s ongoing commitment to promoting the life sciences industry and encouraging workforce development in the Commonwealth make him an ideal member of the BioAdvance Board,” said Frank Baldino, Jr., Ph.D., chairman and chief executive officer of Cephalon, Inc., and chairman of BioAdvance. “He helped create BioAdvance, and clearly understands what it takes to accomplish our goals of supporting and building upon the life sciences community in this region.”

Mr. Schweiker served two terms as Lieutenant Governor and on October 5, 2001 he was sworn in as Governor of Pennsylvania. Throughout his term in office, he aggressively sought to strengthen the state’s economy particularly through the initiatives in workforce development. His leadership led to the creation of thousands of new jobs and worker training programs, attempting to make the state more attractive to both employees and employers. He also enacted legislation to strengthen security following the September 11 attacks, encouraged medical malpractice reform, and created the largest urban reform plan in U.S. history for Philadelphia’s public school system. He was first elected to public office in 1979 as Middletown Township Supervisor, and in 1987 was elected Bucks County Commissioner. Previously, he held several positions at Merrill Lynch, McGraw Hill, and established his own management consulting firm. A native of Levittown, Bucks County, Mr. Schweiker is a graduate of Bloomsburg University, and received his master’s degree in administration from Rider University.

About BioAdvance

As a critical part of a \$2 billion initiative by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to simultaneously support life sciences technologies and stimulate the economy, BioAdvance received \$33.8 million from the State’s share of the tobacco settlement monies to accelerate the creation of life sciences jobs and businesses in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Through its Greenhouse Fund, BioAdvance recently invested over \$3 million in seven local commercially promising technologies. For information about BioAdvance and the Greenhouse Fund, please visit www.bioadvance.com.

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