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## **Willdan Group, Inc. Elects John M. Toups to Board of Directors**

ANAHEIM, Calif., Apr 27, 2007 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Willdan Group, Inc. ("Willdan") (NASDAQ:WLDN), a leading provider of outsourced services to public agencies, today announced that its board of directors has elected John M. Toups, retired Chairman and CEO of Planning Research Corporation ("PRC"), as a member of its Board of Directors. Mr. Toups has also been appointed to the company's Audit Committee.

"John's track record in the professional services industry is more than impressive," says Tom Brisbin, Willdan's CEO, "John was the founder of an engineering firm in Orange County, California, that provided services very similar to Willdan's. His experience in growing a company, mergers and acquisitions and diversification in a publicly traded professional services firm will prove invaluable to Willdan. There are few people in this niche of our industry that we can call upon for this kind of insight and proven experience. Willdan is privileged to have him as a member of its board."

Mr. Toups served as President and Chief Executive Officer of PRC, a global engineering and technology services firm, from 1978 until his retirement in 1987. Although Mr. Toups is retired from active employment, he remains very active in the professional services industry. He currently serves as a director of three public companies: Halifax Corporation, an electronic services company, GTSI Corp., a reseller of software and hardware, and NVR, Inc., a homebuilding and mortgage banking company. In addition, he serves as a director of two privately held companies, Information Technology Analysis Corporation ("ITAC"), an information technology services firm, and Dewberry & Davis, an engineering services firm. He also is active in several civic and professional organizations.

Mr. Toups received his B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of California at Berkeley in 1949. He is a registered civil engineer in California and Maryland, and a fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

About Willdan Group, Inc.

Founded over 40 years ago, Willdan Group, Inc. is a leading provider of outsourced services to public agencies located primarily in California and other western states. Willdan Group, Inc. assists cities and other government agencies with a broad range of services, including civil engineering, building and safety services, geotechnical engineering, financial and economic consulting, and disaster preparedness and homeland security. [www.willdangroup.com](http://www.willdangroup.com)

Forward-Looking Statements

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