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HISTORIAN AND FREE SPEECH ADVOCATE ALAN CHARLES KORS TO RECEIVE 2008 BRADLEY PRIZE FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

One of Four Prize Recipients Announced Today

<u>Milwaukee, WI</u>— The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation announced today that one of four 2008 Bradley Prizes will be awarded to **Alan Charles Kors**. Dr. Kors is a professor of history at the University of Pennsylvania and Chairman Emeritus of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE).

Professor Kors will be presented the award during a ceremony to be held at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. on **Wednesday**, **June 4**. Each award carries a stipend of \$250,000.

"The Bradley Foundation selected Alan Charles Kors not only for his original scholarship in European intellectual history, but also for his defense of free speech as well," said **Michael W. Grebe, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Bradley Foundation.** "In these times, free-thinking students have had no greater champion than Dr. Kors."

Dr. Kors was an early activist against "political correctness" on college campuses. His efforts in this area led to the publication of his book *The Shadow University: The Betrayal of Liberty on American Campuses* in 1998. Understanding that illiberal academic policies and practices threaten higher education, he co-founded the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE), serving as its president and later chairman through 2005.

The selection was based on nominations solicited from more than 100 prominent individuals and chosen by a Selection Committee, which included: Pierre S. du Pont, Michael W. Grebe (Bradley Prizes Committee Chair), Charles Krauthammer, Heather Mac Donald, Thomas L. Rhodes, Dianne J. Sehler, Shelby Steele, David V. Uihlein, Jr. and George F. Will.

"Through the Bradley Prizes, we recognize individuals like Dr. Kors who have made outstanding contributions and we hope to encourage others to strive for excellence in their respective fields," said Mr. Grebe.

Founded in 1985, The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation is devoted to strengthening American democratic capitalism and the institutions, principles and values that sustain and nurture it. Its programs support limited, competent government; a dynamic marketplace for economic, cultural activity; and a vigorous defense, at home and abroad, of American ideas and institutions. Recognizing that responsible self-government depends on enlightened citizens and informed public opinion, the Foundation supports scholarly studies and academic achievement.

To schedule an interview with Bradley Foundation President & CEO Michael Grebe, please contact Kevin McVicker with Shirley & Banister Public Affairs at (703) 739-5920 or (800) 536-5920.