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RESTON COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RESTON, VA — The Reston Community Center Board of Governors announces the appointment of Leila Gordon, currently RCC's Director of Arts and Events, as their new Executive Director. Ms. Gordon's appointment is effective immediately with the Board's announcement.

The Executive Search Committee received and reviewed resumes from more than one hundred individuals after the opening period closed on February 28. The Executive Search Committee narrowed their field and conducted interviews with leading candidates through the end of March.

"This was both an intensive and exhilarating process," said Karen Cleveland, Chair of the Search Committee. "We had a very impressive field from which to select."

"Leila Gordon has been a vital part of the Center and its face for many years," said Bill Bouie, RCC Board Chair, regarding the final selection of the committee. "She has agreed to a five-year contract; the five-year commitment is extraordinary and it will give us stability in leadership as we embark on many new missions going forward. The Reston Community Center is in good hands."

"I am speechless with gratitude to the Board for their trust in me with this appointment, and confident that the RCC and its great Board of Governors and staff are well-positioned to move into the future on many fronts. We look forward to a period of intense collaboration with the many organizations in Reston who are and always have been our partners in realizing Bob Simon's vision for this extraordinary community," said Leila Gordon, the newly appointed Executive Director.

Ms. Gordon began her career at the RCC in September 1983 as a part-time employee charged with supervising arts education class offerings. Through the years, she has built an arts and events program that has achieved national recognition for its grounding in support of community arts endeavors, professional performances programming, and community engagement in artist residencies and partnerships throughout Reston's schools. She has served three different times as the RCC's Acting Deputy Director.

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Ms. Gordon is a graduate of Virginia Tech University and earned her Masters degree in Theatre from Florida State University. Additionally, she has completed all requirements but the dissertation towards a Ph.D. in Theatre at Florida State University. She currently serves IPAR (Initiative for Public Art – Reston) as the ex-officio member representing RCC and is a member of numerous local and national arts and cultural organizations.

About the Reston Community Center

Each year RCC offers more than 1,800 positive, self-development experiences that enhance the quality of life for all people living and working in Reston. RCC provides a wide range of programs in arts, aquatics, enrichment and life-long learning. We also create and sustain community traditions through special events, outreach activities and facility rentals. To find the programs or events that are right for you, visit www.restoncommunitycenter.org or call 703-476-4500.

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