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STATE'S LARGEST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HARTFORD -- Mary-Jane Foster, President and Chief Executive Officer of Interval House, has announced the 2017 slate of 17 Board of Directors.

"We are absolutely delighted to have a Board with a demonstrated commitment to advancing the mission of Interval House," Ms. Foster said.

Interval House is the largest domestic violence support agency in the state. It was founded 1977, and has made a positive difference in the lives of more than 225,000 women, men and children who have experienced psychological and physical abuse at the hands of a domestic or intimate partner.

The nonprofit organization strives to break the cycle of domestic violence by providing victims with access to a 24-hour hotline, crisis counseling, 20-bed emergency safe house, support groups, criminal and civil court advocacy, and specialized services for children. Prevention is also a key component of Interval House's work and it has a strong commitment to community education and outreach efforts.

"The Interval House is a vital community agency addressing domestic violence, a public health problem that is frequent, severe, and costly," said Garry Lapidus, Board Chair. "This board is dedicated to supporting our President and CEO, management and staff, and strengthening our prevention and intervention services to further the mission of Interval House."

The 2017 Board of Directors includes the following people:

Board Officers

- Garry Lapidus, Chair, (Connecticut Children's Medical Center)
- Dawn Andresen, Vice Chair (The Hartford Insurance)
- Cynthia Enos, Secretary, (Webster Bank)
- K. Prasad Menon, Treasurer, (CIGNA, Ret)

Directors

- Araelle Ash, (self-employed)
- Manon Champagne, (Morgan Stanley)
- Meaghan Cooper, (Robinson & Cole, LLP)
- Erik Crespo, (Aetna Insurance)
- Cile Decker, (Decker Real Estate)
- Susy Hurlbert, (Eastern Connecticut Association of Realtors)
- Samia Hussein, (Hartford Hospital)
- Icy Mounds, (Webster Bank)
- Faith Palmer, (City of Hartford)
- Sylvia de Haas Phillips, (Bay Path University)
- Cheryl Pytel, (Hartford Steam Boiler)
- Erum Majid Randhawa, (Blum Shapiro)
- Whitney Sweeney, (The Latimer Group)

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