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CFI's LeighAnn Hanrahan Appointed to Milwaukee County Aging and Disability Resource Center Governing Board

MILWAUKEE, WI, (Aug. 12)—Milwaukee County Executive David Crowley has appointed LeighAnn Hanrahan, Chief People Officer at Centers for Independence (CFI), to the Aging and Disability Resource Center Governing Board. Hanrahan will serve a three-year term helping guide efforts to support older adults and adults with disabilities live safely and independently in the community.

The appointment reflects Hanrahan's long-standing commitment to creating equitable pathways to independence. As Chief People Officer at CFI, a leading provider of services supporting people with disabilities and behavioral health needs, she plays a key role in shaping policies and practices that support person-centered care, equity and organizational sustainability in services that directly impact individuals and families across the community.

With more than 25 years of human resources leadership experience, Hanrahan has developed deep insight into the systems that support people with disabilities and the professionals who serve them. Her work spans organizational development and inclusive practices, with a focus on strengthening services that promote dignity, choice and long-term independence for individuals at every stage of life.

The Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Governing Board serves as an advocate for older adults, adults with physical, intellectual or mental health disabilities, and their caregivers by providing strategic direction and promoting the ADRC and its services to the community at large. Hanrahan's frontline experience leading human resources at a large disability services provider will help bring grounded, relevant insight to the board.

"LeighAnn brings a thoughtful leadership perspective and a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing people with disabilities and their families," said Heidi Chada, President and CEO of Centers for Independence. "Her passion for creating opportunities and supporting person-centered services that help individuals achieve their full potential aligns closely with CFI's mission. We are proud to see her expertise recognized in a way that will help strengthen our community and advance independence for people across Milwaukee County."

"LeighAnn's professional expertise and commitment to community service will make her a valuable addition to the ADRC Governing Board," said David Crowley.

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"Serving on the ADRC Governing Board and helping advance its important work on behalf of older adults, people with disabilities and their caregivers is a tremendous honor," said Hanrahan. "Access to the right resources and support can make a meaningful difference in a person's ability to live independently and stay connected to their community. My fellow board members and I will work hard to strengthen awareness of these services and help ensure they remain accessible to those who need them most."

Hanrahan's appointment further strengthens CFI's commitment to advancing inclusion, independence and workforce participation for people with disabilities throughout Wisconsin.

About Centers for Independence

Centers for Independence (CFI) is a Milwaukee-based nonprofit dedicated to supporting people with disabilities and behavioral health needs through innovative, person-centered programs. Since 1938, CFI has been a leader in trauma-informed care, self-direction and removing barriers to help individuals achieve total health and greater independence. Visit cfihope.org to learn more.

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