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Sagamore Institute names Allison Barber as Board Chair

Indianapolis- Sagamore Institute, a solutions-oriented think tank based in Indiana, announced Dr. Allison Barber as chair of the Board of Trustees. Barber, President and Chief Operating Officer of the Indiana Fever, brings a career of public service and commitment to problem solving. She replaces outgoing chair Katie Mote, who will continue serving as a trustee.

“I am delighted to assume leadership of the Board of Trustees,” Barber said. “Sagamore has a strong reputation and is poised to make even greater contributions to Indiana and the nation in the years ahead.”

Barber brings decades of marketing and communications experience to the position. From grade schoolteacher in Merrillville, Indiana, to communications strategist in the White House and United States Department of Defense; and as the first chancellor and chief fundraiser for Western Governor’s University (WGU) Indiana, Barber has dedicated herself to building brands, maximizing impact and creating pathways to help individuals reach their potential.

Barber becomes chair as Sagamore Institute approaches its 20-year anniversary. In 2004, Senator Dan Coats and current Chief Executive Officer Jay Hein founded Sagamore as a think tank rooted in heartland values – the can-do attitude of working alongside neighbors to find practical solutions to shared challenges.

“What makes Sagamore special is its focus on constructive action. It trades partisan rancor for civility and divisive ideology for a single-minded pursuit of solutions,” said Barber.

“Allison has always responded to the call to service,” said Teresa Lubbers, President of Sagamore Institute. “She brings a positive attitude, an inspiring love for people and a relentless pursuit of excellence. We’re so grateful that she’s decided to take up this leadership post at a time when America needs more of the common-sense solutions that Sagamore brings to the table.”

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About Sagamore Institute

Sagamore Institute is an action-oriented think tank builds and implements solutions to society's biggest problems. Combining policy research with entrepreneurial innovations, citizen participation and impact investing, Sagamore advances practical and sustainable solutions to

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improve communities. Where other think tanks pay more attention to policy and its impact on politics, Sagamore drives change in support of individual prosperity and community renewal.

To complement its research and consulting practice, Sagamore maintains a separate 501(c)(3) organization called Commonwealth Impact Foundation that capitalizes promising business solutions. Commonwealth maintains \$38 million in assets under management and a network of 100+ impact investors.

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