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FORTY CARROTS FAMILY CENTER ELECTS NEW TRUSTEES

(Sarasota – June 2022) Forty Carrots Family Center welcomes new Board of Trustee members Valerie Dall’Acqua, Realtor, Premier Sotheby’s International Realty and Joleen Searles, founding partner of Searles & Gornitsky. They will both serve three-year terms supporting Forty Carrots’ mission of nurturing healthy child and family development and preventing child abuse, neglect, and other childhood traumas.

Current officers include Board Chair Susan Travers, nonprofit fundraiser, volunteer coordinator and event planner, Treasurer Ben Jones, Managing Director with Mariner Wealth Advisors; and Secretary Tammie Sandoval-Badger, Principal, Sabal Trust.

“It is my distinct honor and privilege to serve another term as the Chair of the Forty Carrots board. Working with this team of committed board and staff, all who strive to provide the best outcomes for children and families in our community has been inspirational. As we begin our new fiscal year, I’m delighted to welcome our newest trustees to this great team. We are more determined than ever to provide families with the skills, support, and education they need to thrive. The need has never been greater, and we know the work of the agency is strengthening our community,” said Chair Susan Travers.

Other board of trustee members remaining: Kevin Cooper, Dawn Doughty, Jag Grewal, Jackie Griese, Karimu Hill-Harvey, Chris Jarmul, Eric Kaplan, Bob Lewandowski, Jeff Reynolds, Alan Ross, Susan Sakhai, Kevin Stencik, CEO Michelle Kapreilian (ex-officio) and trustee emeriti Kim Githler, Stanley Kane (deceased), and Jeff Steinwachs.

ABOUT FORTY CARROTS:

Since 1993, Forty Carrots Family Center has served families in Sarasota & Manatee counties, ensuring good beginnings that last a lifetime for children through its expertise in Parenting Education, Mental Health Services, and Early Childhood Education. Rated 4-Stars by Charity Navigator, Forty Carrots serves families from all walks of life, with 95 percent of families receiving services free of charge.

Photo attached: Valerie Dall’Acqua, and Joleen Searles



Valerie Dall’Acqua



Joleen Searles