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**Kent A. Kramer, CEO of Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana, Appointed to  
Goodwill Industries International Board**

**Indianapolis, Ind.** — Kent A. Kramer, president and CEO of Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana, has been selected to serve on the Goodwill Industries International board of directors for a three-year term as part of the Goodwill® Conference of Executives (COE) Executive Council.

Throughout his career, Kramer has married his passion for people with a business acumen that enables him to lead one of the largest Goodwill organizations in North America. Joining Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana as vice president of retail operations in 2002, Kramer was named president and CEO in 2015 — the organization's fourth leader in the nearly 90 years it has been serving Hoosiers.

"I'm fortunate to have the experience and expertise of Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana's board members — an ambitious, forward-thinking group of community leaders whose presence has been instrumental to our success," Kramer said. "I look forward to sharing ideas and working with the COE Executive Council to strengthen Goodwills across the world."

One of the largest non-profit employers in central and southern Indiana, Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana employs more than 4,100 Hoosiers. The organization also serves many thousands more through its mission services.

"Kent leads Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana, which is highly innovative and has had a powerful impact on that community for many years," said Steven C. Preston, president and CEO of Goodwill Industries International. "I look forward to benefiting from the deep insights and experience that Kent will bring to our board."

A proud alumnus of Indiana State University, Kent holds a Bachelor of Science degree in management and serves on the university's Alumni Association Board. He also holds an MBA from the Falls School of Business at Anderson University. Kramer is a 2010 graduate of the GII Executive Development Program, a 16-month curriculum that blends classroom instruction and applied learning with a focus on results and performance, with an aim to help learners develop the skills necessary for success as a Goodwill president and CEO. Kramer serves on the School of Business and Information Technology Advisory Board for Purdue University Global and is an active member of the Rotary Club of Indianapolis.

Prior to joining Goodwill, Kramer spent 13 years in multi-unit leadership positions with Sam's Club and Kmart across several states.

Kramer resides in Pendleton, Indiana with his wife, Jamei. They are the proud parents of four adult children and are active members of Madison Park Church of God, where Kramer serves as an Elder.

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#### **About Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana**

Goodwill of Central & Southern Indiana changes lives every day by empowering people to increase their independence and reach their potential through education, health and employment. The organization serves 39 Indiana counties and operates more than 70 retail locations, as well as charter schools for adults and youth, a maternal-child health program, a child care center and more.

#### **About Goodwill Industries International**

Goodwill Industries International (GII) is a network of 158 community-based, autonomous organizations in the United States and Canada with a presence in 12 other countries. For the past three years, Goodwill was ranked in the top five brands that inspired consumers the most with its mission in the Brand World Value Index commissioned by the creative agency, enso. Goodwill has been on the *Forbes*' list of top 20 most inspiring companies for three consecutive years.