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UCare Board is enhanced with four new Directors

Added expertise, experience and diversity align with UCare strategic priorities in health equity and growth

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 1, 2023 — UCare's Board recently voted to expand its Board of Directors to include more diverse consumer and business perspectives. The new Directors enhance the Board's diversity, consumer representation and business acumen. Collectively, they have an impressive history of service to the communities UCare serves. Their career accomplishments paired with their passion for UCare's mission strengthen UCare's governance.

"I am grateful to UCare's veteran Board members, who have demonstrated their professionalism, values and deep commitment to UCare's mission and members," said UCare President and CEO Hilary Marden Resnik. "Our newest Directors build on those strengths by adding perspectives that will enhance the Board's diversity, expertise and consumer voice as UCare continues to carry out our mission on behalf of our members and community."

The new Board Directors are:

Dorothy Bridges

Dorothy Bridges is President and CEO of the Metropolitan Economic Development Association (MEDA), which helps BIPOC-owned businesses thrive through business consulting services, commercial lending solutions and contracting opportunities. Prior to joining MEDA, Dorothy was an executive of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, and previously served as President and CEO of City First Bank in Washington, D.C., and Franklin National Bank in Minnesota.



Dorothy currently serves on the U.S. Bancorp Board of Directors. She has been recognized as a Twin Cities Business Magazine Outstanding Director, and named

among Ebony Magazine's Ebony Power 100, American Banker's 25 Women to Watch, and Finance and Commerce's Top Women in Finance.

James (Jim) Koppel



During his extensive career, Jim left a deep and lasting legacy in Minnesota by his service to children and families, especially those facing the greatest challenges and inequities. For ten years, Jim was Vice President of Policy for the Minnesota Hospital Association. He also headed the legislative Minnesota Health Care Access Commission, which led to the passage of MinnesotaCare. He served for 15 years as the Executive Director of Children's Defense Fund Minnesota and Regional Director of Children's

Defense Fund Upper Midwest Region. Before retiring, he worked as Deputy Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Health and Assistant Commissioner of Children and Family Services for the Department of Human Services.

Anthony (Tony) Mendoza

Tony is an attorney who has owned and operated his own law firm, Mendoza Law, LLC based in St. Paul for 20 years. He served as Deputy Commissioner for the Telecommunications Division of the Minnesota Department of Commerce and has 25 years' experience working with communications, technology and entertainment clients. Tony is active with community organizations such as the Springboard for the Arts volunteer lawyers program, Friends of the St. Paul Public Library and the Midway Chamber of Commerce (recently completing his term as Board Chair). Tony is also a regularly performing musician.



Martina Sagayam



Martina is an accomplished legal professional with law degrees from the U.S. and England, and she is admitted to practice law in the U.S., Malaysia (her native country), England and Wales. For nearly 20 years, Martina was Senior Vice President and Associate General Counsel at U.S. Bank. where she led commercial banking deposit and treasury management matters, with an emphasis on payments, banking operations, product

development and regulatory compliance. In 2018, she was named a Fellow in the Leadership Council of Legal Diversity, an organization that works to promote

inclusiveness in law firms and corporate legal departments, with the goal of building a more equitable and diverse legal profession.

About UCare

<u>UCare</u> is an independent, nonprofit health plan providing health care and administrative services to more than 600,000 members throughout Minnesota and parts of western Wisconsin. UCare partners with health care providers, counties, and community organizations to create and deliver Medicare, Medicaid and Individual & Family health plans.

The health plan addresses health care disparities and care access issues through a broad array of community initiatives. UCare has received Top Workplaces honors from the Star Tribune for 14 consecutive years since the rankings began in 2010.