



# ***MEDIA ADVISORY***

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## **Girls Inc. of Worcester Announces Appointment of 5 New Board Members and celebrates conclusion of 5-year renovation project**

Worcester, MA—Girls Inc. of Worcester announced today the appointment of [number of members] to the board of directors and thanks five outgoing board members.

At the 104<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, held virtually, the Board of Directors voted to accept the nomination of Juliana Brown, parent of a Girls Inc. of Worcester participant; Tiffany Butler, PhD, ATC, of Worcester Polytechnic Institute; Sarah Kyriazis, of Worcester Public Schools, and Jill Wardle, of Bay State Savings Bank.

“We are so excited to welcome these new board members and are grateful for their commitment,” said Victoria Waterman, CEO of Girls Inc. of Worcester

Each of these new members brings a unique perspective to the Board of Directors. Tiffany Butler previously served as a mentor through the LINKS group and is a bio-engineering faculty member at WPI as well as the director of multi-cultural affairs. Jill Wardle continues a long relationship between Girls Inc. of Worcester and Bay State Savings Bank, and Wardle shares a passion for the mission as well as giving back to the Vernon Hill neighborhood where she grew up.

“As a mother of two adoptive daughters, I have always encouraged strong self-esteem, independence and a passion for life. As I reflect on Girls Inc. mission to be strong, smart and bold it is a mission close to my heart. Whether it’s a daughter, neighbor, sister, niece or friend we need to empower girls in a world accepting to inclusion and diversity, so they can become the best version of themselves,” said Wardle.

Sarah Kyriazis brings a robust knowledge of Digital Learning, important to Girls Inc. of Worcester as they recently launched the new Saint-Gobain Technology center in efforts to address a growing digital divide. Julianna Brown is the parent of a Girls Inc. participant and has been an advocate for Girls Inc. in the Worcester community.

“‘Strong, Smart and Bold’, is what Girls Inc. has nurtured my daughter to become. The involvement of the Girls Inc. after school program and Eureka, has also brought out a Strong, Smart and Bold parent that I am today. I believe in the vision and mission of Girls Inc, for I have experienced the full productive and satisfying benefits of this program. I took this opportunity of being a board member, in order to continue bringing out the excellence of the organization and with the hope of reaching out to many families,” shared Juliana Brown.

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