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Departure of Founding President & CEO

Arlington, VA - Leadership Center for Excellence announces the departure of its founding President & CEO, Betsy Frantz. After 20 years at the helm, Frantz will be leaving April 1, 2018 to serve as the President of the Virginia Hospital Center Health System Foundation.

Frantz became the founding President & CEO of Leadership Center for Excellence, formerly Leadership Arlington, in 1997. Beginning with a budget of only \$22,000, Frantz has expanded the now just under two-million-dollar organization from a single leadership program serving Arlington County to a regional leadership center model. Now, the organization provides a multitude of leadership development program offerings which have graduated over 1,600 leaders and served many more; training and consulting services that have advanced hundreds of organizations in the private, public and nonprofit sectors; and volunteerism opportunities



through the Volunteer Arlington program, which was awarded to the organization by Arlington County in 2016. For more information on Frantz, please visit <u>leadercenter.org/Frantz</u> to view her full biography.

"For many of us in the community, Betsy has taught us what it means to be servant leaders. She has inspired us to enhance our leadership skills and potential, while igniting our passion to serve," said Greg Hamilton, Chair of the Leadership Center for Excellence Board of Regents and Publisher & Co-Founder of *Arlington Magazine*. "Betsy has done an outstanding job building the organization into an invaluable resource for our community and beyond, and she will certainly be missed, but she leaves the organization on sound footing with a strong future."

The Board of Regents has identified Liz Nohra as Acting President & CEO as of April 1, 2018. With an eight-year tenure at the organization as Chief Operating Officer, the Leadership Center for Excellence Board of Regents is confident Nohra will continue to carry out the legacy of leadership development and community building that Frantz will leave behind.

About Leadership Center for Excellence

The mission of Leadership Center for Excellence is to enlighten, inspire and connect leaders through community building and leadership development. For more information, visit leadercenter.org or call 703-528-2522.