HARI BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTS NEW CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

(**Providence, RI**) **November 28, 2022** – The Hospital Association of Rhode Island (HARI) announces the appointment of a new Chair and Vice Chair to its Board of Trustees.

Mary Marran, MS, MBA, OT, the President and Chief Operating Officer of Butler Hospital has been named Chair of the Board. Aaron Robinson, MBA, PT, the President and Chief Executive Officer of South County Health has been named Vice Chair of the Board.



Mary Marran began her decades-long career at Butler Hospital in 1984 working her way through the ranks serving in various roles across hospital departments. Her vast institutional knowledge earned her the title of Hospital President in 2017. Marran is also currently serving as the Interim President and COO of The Providence Center and oversees the behavioral health services line for Care New England. Marran has always stood strongly

and proudly in her personal and professional philosophy that early access to behavioral health care greatly improves the overall health and well-being of the individual, which impacts the health of the community as a whole.

"I'm honored to be elected as chair of the board for Hospital Association of RI. My personal mission to care for the people of our communities aligns directly with HARI's stated mission of meeting the health care needs of Rhode Island through advocacy, representation, education and services. Serving as chair to this board will allow me to continue pushing to better serve the people of RI along with these excellent partnerships and networks we have created together."



Aaron Robinson currently serves as President and CEO of South County Health, having joined Rhode Island's only independent health system on April 1, 2019. He brings with him more than **21** years of diverse and progressive health care leadership experience gained in community hospitals and health system environments. Robinson joined South County Health from Florida, where he served as CEO of Community Hospitals and was also System Service

Line Executive for Heart & Vascular services at Health First. Robinson holds an MBA from Lindenwood University in St. Louis and a BS in Physical Therapy from the University of Missouri-Columbia. His early background as a practicing physical therapist has helped direct him as a leader to always seek better ways to deliver care.

"The hospital and healthcare industry are facing unprecedented challenges coming out of two plus years of a global pandemic where we have honorably and effectively served the Rhode Island Community. It will take extraordinary partnership between all healthcare providers, our elected officials, and our community to create sustainability and resiliency in our health system. I look forward to working with HARI in this leadership capacity to ensure that Rhode Islanders have ongoing access to the best healthcare now and in the years to come."