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Sjögren's Foundation Welcomes Janet E. Church as President and Chief Executive Officer

Reston, Virginia: The Sjögren's Foundation is proud to announce Janet E. Church as the organization's new President and Chief Executive Officer. Church will succeed Steven Taylor, who will be leaving after serving nearly 18 years as President and CEO to join the Arthritis Foundation as Executive Vice President.

Church was named after a comprehensive search led by a Search and Transition Committee, comprised of a diverse group of Foundation volunteer leaders and supported by the Board of Directors. "Janet's experience as a dynamic leader, along with her deep understanding of the disease, makes her the ideal person to lead the Foundation in our critical efforts," said Donald Thomas, MD, FACP, FACR, and Chair of Sjögren's Foundation Board of Directors.

Church is a seasoned technology marketing executive with a unique combination of corporate, agency, consulting, and non-profit experience acquired within the Fortune 50 technology sector—as well as with global non-profits and early-stage technology/service startups. Church, who is a Sjögren's patient, has served on the Sjögren's Foundation Board of Directors for the last eight years, holding the position of Board Chair for the past three years. She has a B.A. Degree in Communications from the University of Washington in Seattle, WA and is a Certified Professional Leadership Coach.

"Janet is the perfect choice to be the next President and CEO. She is not only authentic but is also a strategic leader who believes in the mission and vision of the Foundation. Her passion is easy to recognize and I know the Foundation is in great hands under Janet's leadership. We will continue to see incredible achievements on behalf of, and for, Sjögren's patients," said Steven Taylor.



"I'm honored to be entrusted with this important leadership position. The Sjögren's Foundation has a rich history as a trusted organization advocating for Sjögren's patients. I like to take on new challenges and have no trepidation moving boldly into the future of the Sjögren's Foundation. I look forward to joining the dedicated staff and working with our members and volunteers as we continue to move towards our shared vision of creating a community where patients, healthcare professionals and researchers come together to conquer the complexities of Sjögren's," said Church.

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The Sjögren's Foundation is the first and only national non-profit health organization leading the charge to conquer Sjögren's. While focused on increasing research, education and awareness for this disease, the Foundation serves as the voice of all Sjögren's patients and is dedicated to conquering the complexities of this life-altering and debilitating disease.