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Girl Scouts of Eastern WA & Northern ID names new CEO

SPOKANE, WASHINGTON (Wednesday, February 14, 2018) – Girl Scouts of Eastern WA & Northern ID (GSEWNI) announces today that CEO of eleven years, Pam Lund will retire at the end of April. After a lengthy and extensive search, Brian Newberry will be the new CEO effective April 30, 2018.

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“Brian’s talents and experiences coupled with his passion for leadership development and commitment to cause make him uniquely qualified to serve our girls, volunteers, and staff to grow and advance our mission,” said Kelly Fukai, Board Chair, GSEWNI.

Newberry currently serves as the Executive Director of Leadership Spokane. Previously, he was Commander at Fairchild Air Force’s 92nd Air Refueling Wing. Newberry is also a member of the Spokane School Board.

“My vision for Girl Scouts is to further the mission to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place, while facilitating growth of this vibrant and relevant organization,” said Brian Newberry.

Newberry is a demonstrated champion of youth, an ally to girls and women, and a proven team builder who will bring those skills to GSEWNI as they continue to grow their membership and volunteer base in the communities they serve.

“Brian really cares about the people who work for him and their families,” said Chrystal Ortega, a current Girl Scout volunteer and retired member of the 92nd Air Refueling Wing. Ortega is also a recent graduate of Leadership Spokane.

“I’m man enough to be a Girl Scout and I’m excited to be a part of this organization,” Newberry added when he was formally introduced to the council earlier last week. For more information, please contact Stacie Davis, Chief Membership Officer, GSEWNI.

About Girl Scouts of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho

Girls are at the center of everything we do. Girl Scouts is the preeminent leadership development organization for girls, the leading authority on girls’ healthy development and is working with girls and women to transform the leadership landscape for girls into the next century. Girl Scouts Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho serves more than 3,400 girls and nearly 2,000 adult volunteers. The council region encompasses 67,000 miles that includes 20 counties in central and eastern Washington and 10 counties in northern Idaho. Girl Scouts Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho is committed to discovering, celebrating, and fostering the leader in every girl.

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

