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Kansas Leadership Center Appoints Dr. V. Kaye Monk-Morgan as Chief Impact Officer

Wichita, Kan. – The Kansas Leadership Center (KLC) announced today that Dr. V. Kaye Monk-Morgan has been named the nonprofit organization's chief impact officer and will start on April 18, 2022.

Monk-Morgan has been an <u>associate of KLC's teaching team</u> for three years where she supports people in all positions in their efforts to make progress on pressing community issues. In this new expanded role at KLC, Monk-Morgan will continue teaching in leadership development programs and will serve as a facilitator for civic engagement experiences. In addition, she will provide strategic guidance of KLC's evaluation efforts and is charged with evolving the organization's signature mission initiative – the <u>Leadership Transformation Grant</u> (LTG) program.

"KLC is always evolving and innovating, which makes Kaye and KLC a great match! KLC has been on a growth trajectory and this new role will provide strategic guidance, leadership, and inspiration for our most important work," said Ed O'Malley, president and CEO of the Kansas Leadership Center. "Kaye's passion for our mission has been evident for years. She has been an important part of our team and I'm thrilled she'll now be a key executive, helping drive our work to the next level."

Monk-Morgan has 30 years of experience as a university administrator, educator and advocate and is currently the vice president for Strategic Engagement and Planning at Wichita State University. As a college administrator with a rare breadth of experience, she has worked in the academic, student affairs and community engagement enterprises. She is also the founder of MNP Enterprises LLC, a consulting and public speaking firm that supports stakeholders in a variety of industries focused on equity, women and education.

An active community servant, Monk-Morgan has served on non-profit and corporate boards at the local, state, regional and national levels, including the Boys and Girls Clubs of South Central Kansas, Emprise Bank, The Kansas African American Museum, and the Council for Opportunity in Education. She has earned multiple academic credentials including a Bachelor of Chemistry/Business, a Master of Arts in Public Administration and Doctorate in Educational Leadership.

"I am excited to bring my talents to KLC in a greater way and work alongside the team there," said Monk-Morgan. "The capacity to practice leadership is needed now, perhaps more than ever. I've always been energized by the type of engagement that KLC has with the community, and I look forward to elevating the collective impact. Ensuring that Kansans have resources that

allow them to approach and make progress on generational issues that are hard to solve seems like good work. I am honored to have the chance to do it."

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Head shot available upon request.

About the Kansas Leadership Center

The Kansas Leadership Center (KLC) is a first-of-its-kind nonprofit educational organization with a civic mission, national reputation and global reach. Founded in 2007 to foster leadership for stronger, healthier and more prosperous Kansas communities, KLC receives core funding from the Kansas Health Foundation (a private, philanthropic organization). It partners with nonprofit organizations, government agencies, educational institutions, businesses and communities to build cultures that are healthy, productive and well-positioned to make measurable progress on daunting challenges and emergent opportunities. KLC Press publishes leadership books and The Journal, a nationally recognized, award-winning civic issues magazine.

Over the past 15 years, KLC has built a strong and respected institution in Kansas designed to deliver leadership development and culture change at unparalleled scale. Now, organizations across the country and around the world look to us to provide resources and consultation to support their own aspirations for mission-driven leadership education. Learn more at www.kansasleadershipcenter.org.

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