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PALMETTO GOODWILL NAMES PAMELA RICHARDSON CHIEF PEOPLE, DIVERSITY, AND CULTURE OFFICER

Will lead the organization's talent, recruiting, and culture efforts

North Charleston, SC – Palmetto Goodwill, a leading non-profit organization dedicated to changing lives by providing equitable access to training, education, and employment, proudly announces the appointment of Pamela Richardson as the organization's Chief People, Diversity, and Culture Officer. This strategic decision reflects the organization's unwavering commitment to fostering an inclusive, diverse, and equitable work environment, ensuring a brighter future for both its team members and the communities it serves.

"I am beyond excited for Pam to join our team," said Brian Itzkowitz, Palmetto Goodwill President and CEO. "By bringing in a Chief People, Diversity, and Culture Officer, especially one with Pam's expertise in Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging, we are walking the talk in our commitment to enhancing an atmosphere where all team members feel valued and have the opportunity to thrive."

Richardson joins Palmetto Goodwill with over 10 years' experience in developing and leading people strategy towards fostering a welcoming and vibrant workplace culture while advancing diversity and equity initiatives. Richardson arrives from HCA South Atlantic Division, previously serving as Director of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion of the South Atlantic and North Florida divisions.

"I am so thrilled to serve Palmetto Goodwill in this new capacity. What an exciting journey to be a part of an organization with such far reaching influence to change lives through training, education, and employment. The opening of the Palmetto Excel Center last month reflects a new milestone for education in South Carolina along with the innovation and vision of Palmetto Goodwill leadership. I look forward to working alongside this team to amplify the excitement of our work as we unite to drive positive change, shape a brighter future for our teammates, and empower our communities."

About Palmetto Goodwill

Palmetto Goodwill is a non-profit social enterprise whose mission is changing lives by providing equitable access to training, education, and employment. In operation since 1979, Palmetto Goodwill operates 33 thrift stores/donation centers, 9 Career Opportunity Centers and 16 commercial/government contracts to support its mission throughout its 18-county territory. To learn more visit <u>palmettogoodwill.org</u>