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2020 Goodwill Board of Directors gains expertise and perspective in military and veterans affairs, juvenile rehabilitation, urban development and organizational culture

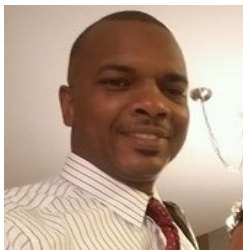
TACOMA, WA (January 14, 2020) – Lori Forte Harnick, President and CEO for Goodwill of the Olympics and Rainier Region, is proud to announce the appointment of four new board members and four new board officers for 2020: **Col. Paige Abbott, Tony Bowie, Jahmad Canley, and Dr. Ali Modarres.**

New officers include Board Chair **Colette Taylor**, Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair **Rory Connally**, Mission Services Chair **Jacqueline Justice** and At Large member **Terry Jones**. Retaining their offices for 2020 are Secretary Charelle Foege, Fundraising & Community Engagement Committee Chair Andy Stolz and Board Development and Governance Committee Chair Carlyn Roy. Board member terms are for three years, officer positions are for one year and the Chairman serves for two years after one year as Chair-elect.

New Board Members



Colonel Paige T. Abbott brings more than 25 years of leadership experience in logistics, information systems, personnel, public affairs, recruiting and retention, operations and emergency response to Goodwill. She currently serves as Director of Staff for the Washington Air National Guard advising the Adjutant General on a broad range of matters concerning the United States Air Force. Colonel Abbott is a distinguished graduate of the Air force Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) at the College of the Holy Cross, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology in 1990. After 5 years of active duty service in the Air Force, she joined the Washington Air National Guard in 1996.



Tony Bowie brings to the board more than a decade of expertise in juvenile and adult rehabilitation. Currently the Chief Executive Officer for the Child Study and Treatment Center within the State Dept. of Social and Health Services, Bowie also served for three years as Deputy Chief Executive Officer for DSHS' Special Commitment Center overseeing contracts and community partnerships to expand sex offender treatment, housing and auxiliary service providers. He received a Bachelor of Science, Business Administration from Central Washington University in 2002 and has experience in legislative budgeting process, and outreach and analysis of executive, manager and line staff internal needs and concerns.



Jahmad Canley contributes 15 years of organizational development and change management as President and Chief Executive Officer of Potential Unleashed Consulting. In that role Mr. Canley has an endless dedication to empowerment and education for all people. Known as a top-level culture transformation consultant, and peak performance coach, Mr. Canley focuses on helping people and organizations accomplish their goals and fulfill potential in their personnel. His experience includes assistance to corporations, educational institutions, non-profits, faith based organizations, athletic teams, law enforcement and justice systems. Mr. Canley is also the founder of the Tacoma Gents program, working with young men

of color teaching leadership, image/integrity, financial literacy and etiquette skills.

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Ali Modarres adds expertise in social geography, immigration, and urban development as Director of Urban Studies and the Assistant Chancellor for Community Engagement at the University of Washington, Tacoma. From 1999 to 2017, he served as the Editor-in-Chief of *Cities: The International Journal of Urban Policy and Planning*. Dr. Modarres earned his Ph.D. in geography from the University of Arizona and holds master and bachelor degrees in landscape architecture from the same institution. He serves on a number of governing and advisory boards including the Economic Roundtable (Los Angeles), South Sound Regional Leadership Council of Forterra, and the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation. He has also served on the Affordable Housing Technical Advisory Group for the City of Tacoma.

About Goodwill of the Olympics & Rainier Region:

Our vision is that very person has the opportunity to learn, work, and thrive in all aspects of life. **Our mission** is to help people reach their fullest potential through education, job placement, and career pathway services made possible by community donations, purchases, and partnerships. As a unique, nonprofit social enterprise serving 15 counties, Goodwill leverages its thrift store revenue and community support to provide the region's unemployed with free career path training, life skills education and job placement in a variety of fields. In 2019, Goodwill of the Olympics and Rainier Region helped more than 8,000 people gain new skills and enhance their quality of life through entry into computer and office, culinary, construction, environmental cleanup, barista, retail, and advanced manufacturing & warehouse careers. These programs are funded through generous financial gifts, public/private grants, business partnerships, revenue from our 35 thrift stores and online sales platform, www.shopgoodwill.com, as well as our salvage/recycle operations.



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