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Wendy S. Bolas appointed to Summit County Children Services Board of Trustees

AKRON, OH – September 2020 – Summit County Children Services (SCCS) announces its newly appointed Board of Trustee member, Ms. Wendy S. Bolas. The distinguished Board of Trustees consists of professionals from diverse professional and personal backgrounds who are committed to the mission of the agency and meeting the requirements of child welfare mandates. SCCS is committed to the safety, permanency and well-being of all children served, in partnership with families and the community.

For over 30 years, Ms. Bolas worked at FirstMerit Bank and held multiple positions during her tenure. Her successful career at the bank began in 1985 as a Retail Branch employee. During the last 10 years of her career at FirstMerit, Ms. Bolas was the Senior Vice President and Business Banking Manager where she provided strategic direction, sales coaching and operational oversight for high performance teams of 15 Business Bankers. In this role, she was responsible for business growth and financial performance by driving new production and profitability.

Ms. Bolas has over a 20-year history of board and community leadership. She currently is a member of the Akron Urban League Giving Circles Committee, Women’s Endowment Fund Advisory Board, Summa Healing Arts Council and the Policy Committee of the United Way of Summit and Medina County. She is a collaborative board leader and volunteer who cultivates partnerships that enhance operations, introduces innovations and improves overall performance.

Ms. Bolas received an Associate of Applied Business degree in Business Management Technology from the University of Akron followed by a Master of Business Administration degree, Executive Program, from Baldwin Wallace University.

Ms. Bolas was appointed by the Summit County Executive, Ms. Ilene Shapiro in August 2020. Her appointment expires in 2024. Ms. Bolas will be the 10th member of the SCCS Board of Trustees.

For more information about SCCS, please visit their website at www.summitkids.org.

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