Girls Inc. Announces New Leadership

Stephanie J. Hull named President & CEO; Tony Bucci appointed Board Chair

NEW YORK (PRWEB) June 04, 2019 -- Girls Inc., the nation’s leading girl development organization, has named Stephanie J. Hull President & CEO and Tony Bucci National Board Chair. Both Hull and Bucci began their roles on May 15. Hull most recently served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. Bucci, who is Chairman of marketing agency MARC USA, has served on the Girls Inc. Board since 2007.

“Knowing the measurable difference Girls Inc. makes in the lives of girls, there is an imperative to grow,” said Melanie Gray, immediate past Board Chair. “Stephanie and Tony are dedicated to expanding the organization’s reach and impact, bringing the proven Girls Inc. programming experience to many more girls, ensuring they have the resources and opportunities to thrive.”

Hull brings a long career in education and leadership development. She served as Head of School for The Brearley School, an all-girls school located in New York City, and also held various leadership and management positions at Mount Holyoke and Dartmouth Colleges. As a women’s and youth advocate, Hull has served on the Boards of the Professional Children’s School, Code Nation, Culture of Respect, and Humanity in Action.

“It’s a privilege to be leading this organization at this moment,” said Hull. “The challenges girls face—particularly girls of color and girls from low-income communities—are increasingly urgent, and the need for support is critical. Girls Inc. is providing that support: Through direct service work with girls as well as through policy and advocacy efforts, we are breaking down the systemic barriers that hold girls back.”

“We have a tremendous opportunity to significantly increase access to the knowledge, skills, and support that Girls Inc. provides,” said Bucci. “This demands we have a scalable, adaptable model to effectively deliver outcomes for girls, and a strong affiliate network equipped to consistently deliver the quality experience. We have both, and are investment ready and committed to maximizing all our resources to benefit the girls we serve.”

Bucci previously served as National Vice Chair of Girls Inc., and has been a major investor and key driver in the success of the organization’s $20M capital growth campaign. Through his agency, MARC USA, Bucci has also provided significant marketing and branding support to the organization. Bucci has decades of board service and strategic philanthropic leadership. Previously he chaired the national board of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of America and was a member of the national board of KaBoom.

Girls Inc. provides programming to more than 132,000 girls across the U.S. and Canada, and advocates for policy and culture change to improve the conditions in which all girls are growing up. Last year, Girls Inc. launched the #Girls Too: Respect Starts Young campaign, which focuses on sexual harassment and violence in the lives of youth, particularly girls, with actions aimed at addressing the norms and stereotypes that fuel these behaviors.

The $100M network serves girls ages 6-18 at more than 1,500 sites in 348 cities in North America, and is expanding into new, high-need communities and increasing partnerships with schools.
About Girls Inc.

Girls Inc. inspires all girls to be strong, smart, and bold through direct service and advocacy. Our comprehensive approach to whole girl development equips girls to navigate gender, economic, and social barriers and grow up healthy, educated, and independent. These positive outcomes are achieved through mentoring relationships, girls-only safe spaces, and research-based programming. Informed by girls and their families, we also advocate for legislation and policies to increase opportunities for all girls. Join us at girlsinc.org.
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