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Following an extensive search, the Board of Directors of Jewish Family and Child Service of Greater Toronto is pleased to announce the appointment of Talyah Breslin as our new Chief Executive Officer.

As a visionary and strategic leader, Talyah will be working with the Board of Directors to ensure programs, services and operations are aligned with the mission, vision and values of JF&CS. As well, she will be leading and implementing strategic priorities and operational planning consistent with the Agency's new Strategic Plan and guided by Jewish values, teachings and traditions.

Talyah brings to her new role an in-depth understanding and broad perspective of the breadth of the Agency's many programs and services. In 2003, she joined JF&CS as a Child Protection Worker. In subsequent years, she was a Child Protection and Emergency After-Hours Supervisor, Client Service Manager and currently the Director of Service for Child Welfare. These progressively responsible positions have provided her with an in-depth understanding of the complexity of needs of the individuals and families the Agency serves. In her current role, Talyah has participated in numerous community collaborations and service coordination initiatives, creating and implementing service structures that integrate preventative programming with Child Welfare to provide holistic approaches to improve the lives of countless children and families.

Talyah has a wealth of experience within Ontario's Child Welfare Sector and a deep understanding of how best to enable our talented staff to support the needs of our diverse and growing community.

For many years, Talyah has been a passionate advocate for the needs of vulnerable children and families. She has served with colleagues across a broad spectrum of community agencies, building alliances, providing support, rising to the many challenges that have presented themselves and finding creative and enduring solutions. She operates with great integrity and with a commitment to, and track-record of, success.

Brian Prousky, our outgoing Executive Director, wrote, "I'm thrilled the Agency will be in such capable hands. Like many others in our community and across the province, I have the highest regard for Talyah. She has a long record of accomplishment and has earned the respect of everyone who has had the pleasure of working with her on critical projects. I have no doubt she will continue the Agency's long tradition of providing an unparalleled breadth of unique, innovative and successful programming."

Brian will be retiring on March 31st, 2021, at which point Talyah will assume the role of Chief Executive Officer. The Board is exceedingly grateful for Brian's leadership over the past five years and, more recently, for his work with Talyah in ensuring a seamless transition into her new role.

The Board of Directors is thrilled that Talyah will be leading JF&CS through the years to come and equally thrilled that she will be working alongside our talented Senior Management Team to continue to fulfill the promise of our Vision: *A resilient community where hope, dignity, diversity and humanity thrive*.

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