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WomenHeart Elects New Chair of the Board of Directors

WomenHeart: The National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease today announced the election of Kathy Webster as Chair of the Board of Directors.

Kathy Webster, a WomenHeart Champion since 2006 – having lived with heart disease since birth, returned to the WomenHeart Board of Directors in 2020 after having previously served from 2010-2017. In her prior term on the Board, she held the positions of Treasurer and Chair. Prior to this appointment, she was serving as the Treasurer for the Board. Webster is retired from the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City where she served 33 years.

"Because of Kathy's long time leadership experiences with WomenHeart, she is uniquely positioned to represent and affirm WomenHeart's role as the leading voice of women with heart disease," said Celina Gorre, CEO of WomenHeart. “Her perspective will be especially important in helping to guide the organization as we plan for our future, reimagining and growing a vision that ensures all women receive the cardiac care and support that they need and deserve. On behalf of the Board and staff, I also want to thank Gayathri Badrinath for her tremendous work as Interim Chair of the Board during this time of transition. I am grateful that she will continue to be a contributing Board member."

Coming into this role, Webster said, "After more than twenty years of supporting women with heart disease – and then persevering through the pandemic – WomenHeart remains especially relevant today in an environment where health care delivery and support systems have experienced change, health disparities continue to exist and in-person interactions have been significantly limited. I am honored to take on this role and am passionate about working with this Board and the wonderful WomenHeart community to carry out the organization’s mission."

About WomenHeart: The National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease:
WomenHeart is the only patient centered organization serving the millions of women in the United States living with or at risk for heart disease—the leading cause of death in women. WomenHeart is devoted to advancing women’s heart health through patient support, community education and advocacy. For more information, visit www.womenheart.org.

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