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Urban Libraries Council Names New Executive Board Officers and Members

WASHINGTON – The Urban Libraries Council elected its 2022-2023 Executive Board during its Annual Member Business Meeting held earlier this week. Newly named ULC Executive Board officers, who will be serving one-year terms include:

- **Karl Dean** (Former Mayor, Nashville) as Chair
- **Roosevelt Weeks** (Director, Austin Public Library) as Vice Chair/Chair-Elect
- **Michelle VonderHaar** (Deputy General Counsel, HP Inc.) as Secretary/Treasurer
- **Dr. Mary J. Wardell-Ghirarduzzi** (President, San Francisco Public Library Commission; Vice President, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, University of the Pacific) as Immediate Past Chair

Following the election, the ULC Executive Board also welcomed two new members who will be serving two-year terms:

- **Heidi Daniel** (President and CEO, Enoch Pratt Free Library)
- **Grace Nordhoff** (Philanthropist)

“ULC is honored to have Heidi Daniel and Grace Nordhoff join our Executive Board,” said ULC President and CEO Susan Benton. “These visionary leaders will be invaluable in helping ULC advance our important work. Both bring extensive experience and a deep commitment to our shared mission of creating meaningful, positive change for public libraries and the communities we serve.”

Biographical information about the ULC Executive Board officers and members can be found at urbanlibraries.org.

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About the Urban Libraries Council

The Urban Libraries Council is an innovation and impact tank of North America's leading public library systems. ULC drives cutting-edge research and strategic partnerships to elevate the power of libraries as essential, transformative institutions for the 21st century. More than 160 urban member libraries in the U.S. and Canada rely on ULC to identify significant challenges facing today's communities and provide new tools and techniques to help libraries achieve stronger outcomes in education, digital equity, workforce and economic development, and race and social equity.