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Ryn Skultety to become next Executive Director of Reaching Out MBA

NEW YORK – September 10, 2024 – Reaching Out MBA, Inc. (“Reaching Out”), the leading organization delivering programming and events that educate, inspire, and connect an increasingly diverse LGBTQ+ MBA and business community, today announced that Dr. Karyn “Ryn” Skultety (she/her) has joined Reaching Out and will become the organization’s next Executive Director. Ryn will succeed Aidan Currie (he/him), who has served as Executive Director since 2018 and who will continue to lead Reaching Out through the organization’s upcoming ROMBA and PRIZM Conferences, to be held September 26-29 in Los Angeles, California, to ensure a successful leadership transition.

Skultety is a dynamic, established nonprofit leader with years of experience in community driven planning and change including organizations driving significant impact within the LGBTQ+ community. With a PhD in clinical psychology, she has had significant impact on mental health, home care and support services for aging and vulnerable communities throughout her career. As the Executive Director of Openhouse, Ryn was responsible for opening San Francisco's first LGBTQ+ welcoming affordable senior housing, creating new care models for LGBTQ+ seniors and developing intergenerational and inclusive community initiatives. At SAGE, the country’s oldest and largest national non-profit supporting LGBTQ+ older adults, she provided executive and cross-organizational leadership for implementation of a 5-year strategic plan and led the implementation of an organizational restructure to create and successfully launch two new divisions to scale capacity and impact. Ryn previously spent close to a decade in leadership roles at the Institute on Aging (IOA) including as Vice President, Health Services and Vice President, Home Care and Support Services. At IOA, she also led a number of initiatives including training to support LGBTQ+ staff members and increase LGBTQ+ visibility of leadership.

Skultety has been recognized with the San Francisco Visionary Woman Award from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors & Dept on the Status of Women and was awarded the Leadership Award for Social Change and Community Development from the Excelerate Foundation for outstanding leadership in community development. Ryn’s expertise in organizational scaling and growth will be invaluable in steering Reaching Out MBA’s ongoing growth and strategic expansion of support for post-MBA and other LGBTQ+ business professionals, advancing our mission to increase the influence of the LGBTQ+ community in business by educating, inspiring, and connecting MBA students and alumni.

As Reaching Out’s outgoing Executive Director, Aidan Currie has had a tremendous impact on the growth and success of Reaching Out over his six-year tenure. Reaching Out is in an extremely stable and strong position due to Aidan’s leadership and the hard work of the entire Reaching Out team since 2018, having achieved significant growth in ROMBA conference



attendance and corporate partners, expanded the ROMBA Fellowship program which has now provided over \$20 million in MBA student scholarships since its inception, and doubled the organization's staff and capacity, even while navigating the challenges of the pandemic. Today, the Reaching Out MBA community represents thousands of MBA students and alumni, corporate and organizational partners who together are shaping the future of a more inclusive business world.

About Reaching Out MBA

Reaching Out MBA is dedicated to increasing the influence of the LGBTQ+ community in business by educating, inspiring, and connecting MBA students and alumni. Reaching Out programming includes the flagship ROMBA annual conference; PRIZM – a new conference for experienced LGBTQ+ MBA alumni and other experienced business professionals; the annual Out Women In Business (OWIB) event; the ROMBA Fellowship program, which includes more than 70 participating business schools and year-round programming to support ROMBA Fellows; ROMBA Treks and other regional programming and events. Reaching Out MBA is a community of LGBTQ+ MBAs and other professionals with ever-growing diversity in sexual orientation, gender identities, and race and ethnicities. We bring a unique perspective through the intersectionality of our identities across underrepresented groups. To create a more equitable business community, we strive to reflect diversity in thought and representation and to provide inclusive environments where everyone feels welcome.

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