

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 4, 2023

Contact: Daniel Arthur

765-962-1638

Foundation Executive Director Selected for MDLF Fellowship Class VI

The Wayne County Foundation announced today that Rebecca Gilliam, Executive Director, has been selected as a fellow in the Mitch Daniels Leadership Foundation (MDLF) Fellowship Class VI. Out of 137 applicants across 28 Indiana counties, Gilliam is one of 25 visionary leaders who were chosen for this cohort – and only one of two East Central Indiana representatives.

The MDLF was established in 2017 to create a statewide network of individuals dedicated to making Indiana the best place to build a future. The two-year fellowship includes convenings and coursework on current issues and provides members opportunities to learn from a variety of experts from various fields.

Kathy Girten, Board Chair of the Wayne County Foundation Board, said, "Rebecca is an outstanding leader and I am delighted that she has been selected for this prestigious program."

Fellows are selected by the MDLF Board based on their demonstrated leadership, entrepreneurial spirit, and alignment to the Foundation's core principles of individual liberty, personal responsibility, and the importance of private enterprise.

"This class is diverse in thought, region, industry, and background, and we are looking forward to the growth and development they'll experience over the next two years," said Blair Milo, MDLF Fellowship Committee Chair.

Upon completion of the course, Rebecca will join more than 100 past Fellows, and will be able to bring these new insights back into our community – continuing the Foundation's mission of improving the quality of life in Wayne County now and for future generations.

To see a full list of Class VI Fellows and learn more about the Mitch Daniels Leadership Foundation, <u>click</u> <u>here.</u>

###

Since 1979, the Wayne County Foundation has existed to foster and encourage private philanthropic giving, to enhance the spirit of community and to improve the quality of life in the Wayne County, Indiana, area now and for future generations.