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Marjaree Mason Center Announces new Chief Operating Officer

Fresno, CA (December 3, 2024) – The Marjaree Mason Center, Fresno County’s only dedicated provider of domestic violence shelter and supportive services, is pleased to announce Sareen Creede as the Center’s new Chief Operating Officer, effective December 2, 2024. In this role, Sareen will serve as an essential member of the leadership team, overseeing the Center’s operations, compliance, human resources, and facilities.

Bringing a wealth of knowledge and expertise with her, Sareen has over 13 years of professional experience in communications, program management and operations. Most recently, she held the position as Patient and Family Communication & Engagement Program Manager at Valley Children’s Healthcare. Sareen holds a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from the Marshall School of Business at University of Southern California.

The appointment comes with Marjaree Mason Center’s pending completion of its new Isnardi Foundation Building, which will double the physical service capacity of the Center. A project that began in 2018, the new Isnardi Foundation Building will house the Marjaree Mason Center’s 24/7 trauma-informed crisis drop-in center, as well as all of their non-residential survivor services including 24/7 hotline, individual counseling and group therapy, legal advocacy and children’s services, as well as all prevention and early intervention efforts.

“This is a pivotal moment in the Marjaree Mason Center’s history,” said Nicole Linder, CEO of the Marjaree Mason Center. “Sareen is coming on board at a very exciting time. She comes with years of experience improving systems, corporate communication, and creating processes and procedures that better position an organization to fulfill its mission. This combined with her passion for our work make her a great asset to our team as we work towards building our future.”

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About Marjaree Mason Center

For over 45 years, the Marjaree Mason Center has offered safe housing and support services to adults and their children affected by domestic violence in Fresno County. As the only comprehensive domestic violence agency in Fresno County, which has the highest per capita calls to law enforcement in the State of California, the Marjaree Mason Center provides safe housing, legal services, counseling and education to survivors and youth. The Center was

founded in 1979 after the murder of Marjaree Mason, a native of Easton, at the hands of her ex-boyfriend, a Fresno County Sheriff's deputy. A graduate of Washington High School and Reedley College, Marjaree lived in Fresno for 31 years and was well known in the community. To contact the Marjaree Mason Center, call the business center at 559.237.4706, or the 24-hour confidential emergency helpline at 559.233.HELP (4357) or help@mmcenter.org. To learn more, visit www.mmcenter.org.