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Safe Passage Violence Prevention Center is excited to announce Sally Winn as its new Executive Director. Sally has spent the last 20 years as an attorney and non-profit advocate and has tremendous experience in criminal law, public policy, nonprofit management, and advocacy for those in need.

“Sally is a positive and supportive leader,” said Rebecca Reeves, Chair of Safe Passage’s Board of Directors. “Her history shows strong visionary leadership, strategy, and financial stewardship. Her practical knowledge coupled with a passion for supporting those in need has earned her the esteem of our board. We’re excited to work with her as she builds new relationships with our community. As Executive Director, Sally will work closely with staff, community partners, and the board to ensure the values of our organization continue as we serve survivors of sexual and domestic violence.”

Chauntelle Lieske completed her four-year tenure as Executive Director of Safe Passage on 7/14/21. The Board of Directors cannot thank her enough for her dedication, passion and collaborative leadership and wish her the greatest future success as she continues to advocate for those in need.

Ms. Winn has a passion for being a voice for the underserved. She has worked as an attorney in the Spokane Co. Public Defenders office and as a managing partner at Finer & Winn law firm. She took great pride in defending the civil rights of those facing prosecution. She also represented several plaintiffs on civil rights, employment, and policy-changing civil claims. Prior to her full-time legal career, Sally worked in the non-profit sector for 15 years as Vice President of Feminists for Life, an international nonprofit based in the Washington, DC area. In that position, she helped colleges and universities access federal resources to assist pregnant and parenting students with housing, daycare, maternity insurance coverage, and Title IX issues.

“I’m excited to have this opportunity to share my experience with such an amazing organization,” said Winn. “From advocacy and outreach to counseling and shelter, Safe Passage is an established and integral part of Northern Idaho people have come to rely on. I look forward to working with Safe Passage staff, board, and community supporters to continue to support and empower violence survivors of all ages.”

ABOUT SAFE PASSAGE:

Safe Passage (formerly the North Idaho Violence Prevention Center) provides 24-hour crisis intervention for adults and children affected by domestic or sexual violence. We also work to prevent violence by providing education to individuals and the community. As a non-profit agency, we offer our services free of charge and maintain the strictest confidentiality for our clients.

Safe Passage succeeds in helping families in crisis thanks to the continuing support of our local communities, numerous private and public donors, and our agency partners, which include the Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance, STOP Violence Against Woman Act and Numerica Credit Union.

