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### **Terri Clark to Retire as Executive Director of the Academy, Academy Announces its New Executive Director, Jeffrey Orszak**

**East Hartford, CT** — The Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering announces the retirement of its Executive Director, with Jeffrey Orszak to step into the position December 2, 2024. Terri will remain during a transition period, with her retirement date effective January 31, 2025.



Terri leaves behind a legacy of resilience and growth, having guided the Academy through a transformative period and recovery from the pandemic. Under Terri's leadership, the Academy weathered challenges and emerged stronger than ever. Her strategic vision and unwavering dedication to mission have revitalized programs, expanded outreach, and fostered a culture of collaboration and innovation within the organization.

"Terri has been an extraordinary leader and advocate for the Academy," said President Sten Vermund. "Her contributions have set a solid foundation for the future. We are grateful for her commitment and leadership, and we look forward to building on her successes." "I am incredibly proud of what we have accomplished together," said Terri Clark. "Now feels like the right time for new leadership to take the Academy to greater heights. I am excited to see where the Academy's future leads."



As the Academy embarks on this new chapter, Vermund confirmed the confidence CASE Leadership had that, "Jeff is the ideal successor who will further advance the Academy's mission and vision. His professional career spanned industry, academia, and non-profit management, and this diversity of experience is invaluable in the position." As Jeff shared, "This position allows me to devote myself to honoring the breadth and depth of STEMM leadership in the state." Jeff looks forward to expanding the programs at the Academy that utilize the membership network to provide independent, non-partisan, evidence-based science, technology, engineering, medicine and mathematics-related advice and guidance

on behalf of the people and the state of Connecticut.

The Academy thanks its leadership, the members of CASE, and our partners across the state, for their support throughout the years and particularly at this time.



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