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Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity Builds Forward, Welcoming New Chief Real Estate Officer, Cecile Bedor

St. Paul, MN (January 18, 2024) – Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity is thrilled to announce the appointment of Cecile Bedor as the new Chief Real Estate Officer. Her arrival marks a strategic move for the organization, as it continues to elevate its position in the affordable housing sector in 2024 and beyond.

Prior to joining Twin Cities Habitat, Cecile served as the Executive Vice President of Real Estate at CommonBond Communities since 2018, leading strategic initiatives related to real estate purchase, development, construction management, property, and portfolio asset management—while bolstering financial compliance and sustainability with key stakeholders, funders, and investors.

Cecile previously served within a variety of leadership roles, such as the Executive Vice President of GREATER MSP, City of St. Paul's Director of Planning and Economic Development (PED), and Executive Director of the City's Housing & Redevelopment Authority. Prior to joining the City, she was the Director of Partnerships and Development for the Minneapolis Public Library, overseeing the system's marketing and communications; community library capital projects; and community partnerships, and has held positions with the National Equity Fund, the Metropolitan Council, and Aeon.

"With her collaborative approach to advocate for housing and economic development in diverse communities, and decades of experience across the Twin Cities, Cecile will play a central role in driving our real estate initiatives at Habitat," said Chris Coleman, President & CEO, Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity. "Her expertise will be instrumental in shaping strategies that propel us forward, promoting affordable homeownership, and advancing racial equity in housing. We are excited to welcome her to our team at Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity."

Cecile expressed excitement about joining Habitat ahead of major developments and initiatives stating,

"Habitat has an incredibly talented team, and I'm thrilled and humbled to join them to advance the important work of equitable homeownership. I'm particularly excited about providing new homeownership opportunities at scale with The Heights, highlighting this game-changing model through the Carter Work Project."

Cecile Bedor joins the organization at a major juncture and groundbreaking development at <u>The Heights</u> in the Greater East Side of St. Paul. Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity is focused on doing more in and with community – advancing racial equity in housing with the public



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launch of the \$80M comprehensive and strategic campaign, <u>Build Forward Together</u> and the 2024 <u>Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project</u>.

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About Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity

Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity brings people together to create, preserve, and promote affordable homeownership and advance racial equity in housing. Since 1985, more than 1,700 families have partnered with Twin Cities Habitat to unlock the transformational power of homeownership. Twin Cities Habitat is one of the highest-regarded Habitat for Humanity affiliates nationwide. The affiliate will host the Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project in fall of 2024 at The Heights on St. Paul's Greater East Side. www.tchabitat.org.