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Craig Abbott Appointed Secretary/Treasurer of LeadingAge Minnesota Board of Directors

MINNEAPOLIS – September 24, 2025 – LeadingAge Minnesota is proud to announce that Craig Abbott, President and CEO of Saint Therese, has been appointed to serve as Secretary/Treasurer of the LeadingAge Minnesota Board of Directors. In this role, Craig joins a group of four other Board members who make up the Executive Committee. His two-year term will begin on January 1, 2026.

Abbott, who has served as President and CEO of Saint Therese since 2022, has established himself as a respected leader in aging services. He's recognized for his strategic vision, commitment to mission-driven care, and dedication to enhancing the lives of older adults and their families. At the helm of Saint Therese, Abbott has led the organization's growth and innovation while ensuring that compassionate, high-quality care remains at the heart of its mission.

"Craig is a highly valued voice in our field and will be an outstanding addition to our executive committee," said Kari Thurlow, President and CEO of LeadingAge Minnesota. "His experience and commitment to advancing the wellbeing of older adults will help guide our association as we continue working to strengthen aging services across the state."

As Secretary/Treasurer, Abbott will help oversee the association's governance and financial stewardship while supporting strategic initiatives that ensure members are well-positioned to meet the evolving needs of Minnesota's aging population.

"I am honored to take on this role with the LeadingAge Minnesota Board of Directors," Abbott said. "It is a privilege to work alongside colleagues who are committed to advancing solutions that improve the quality of care and enrich the lives of older adults throughout Minnesota."

About Saint Therese

Saint Therese, based in St. Louis Park, Minnesota, is a nonprofit senior care organization dedicated to serving older adults and their families through a continuum of care that includes independent living, assisted living, skilled nursing, transitional care, and hospice services. Guided by a faith-based mission, Saint Therese provides compassionate, person-centered care across multiple campuses and programs.

About LeadingAge Minnesota

Driven to transform and enhance the experience of aging, LeadingAge Minnesota works alongside its members, caregivers, advocates, and consumers to collectively shape the future of aging services and ensure older adults in every community live with dignity, meaning, and purpose. Together with more than 60,000 caregivers, LeadingAge Minnesota members provide quality care, services, and support to 70,000 older adults every day in independent senior housing, assisted living communities, adult day, in-home care, and skilled nursing facilities.

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