

THE NEW ENGLAND CENTER FOR CHILDREN ELECTS ELIZABETH WETHERBEE KLEIN TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Southborough, Mass. – Sept. 12, 2018 – The New England Center for Children[®] (NECC[®]), a global leader in education and research for children with autism, announced today the election of Elizabeth Wetherbee Klein to the Board of Directors. Mrs. Klein is a marketing consultant, volunteer and mother of three children.

"The New England Center for Children is excited and honored to have Beth Klein join our Board of Directors," said Vincent Strully, President and CEO of The New England Center for Children. "Beth brings important professional and community insights to our Board and is a dynamo in fundraising and philanthropic activity."

Mrs. Klein has chaired the annual Children of Promise Gala (<u>www.necc.org/gala</u>) Host Committee the past two years, helping the event reach new heights in fundraising, outreach, and style.

"Tm thrilled to join the Board of The New England Center for Children," said Mrs. Klein, "and to collaborate with a brilliant and dedicated faculty and staff, those educating and caring directly for NECC's more than 680 students. Together we strive to ensure that on the Southborough, MA campus and around the world, children with autism are given the tools they need to achieve their greatest potential. Given NECC's graduate teaching program and Autism Curriculum Encyclopedia (ACE) software application, NECC receives well-deserved recognition among Massachusetts' most important exports."

Mrs. Klein's business career was spent in marketing, relationship management and product development. Prior to starting her own consulting practice, Mrs. Klein spent sixteen years leading marketing teams in the investment industry, most recently as SVP of Informa Financial Intelligence, a division of UK-based Informa PLC. Mrs. Klein is actively involved in education, nonprofits and fundraising. She has served on the Advisory Council for Southborough Public Schools, is currently on the board of the Southborough Community Fund and is a UMass Medicine Development Council member. She was a fundraiser for both the Lori Lajoie Golf Tournament, benefitting Worcester's The Seven Hills Foundation, and the Congenital Heart

Walk Boston Gala. A Concord, MA native and graduate of Syracuse University, Mrs. Klein lives in Southborough with her husband David and their three children.

About The New England Center for Children

The New England Center for Children[®] (NECC[®]) is a world leader in education, research, and technology for children with autism. For more than 40 years, our community of teachers, researchers, and clinicians have been transforming lives and offering hope to children with autism and their families. NECC's award-winning services include home-based, day, and residential programs; public school partnerships and consulting; the John and Diane Kim Autism Institute; the ACE[®] ABA Software System (www.acenecc.org) currently used by more than 6,100 students and teachers in 27 states and 10 countries; and ABAplus, an online professional learning platform for educators. NECC received the 2017 Award for International Dissemination of Behavior Analysis from the Society for the Advancement of Behavior Analysis (SABA). A 501c3 non-profit, The New England Center for Children is based in Southborough, MA, and operates a center in Abu Dhabi, UAE. More information is available at www.necc.org.

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