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Carol Barbe Joins Loudoun Laurels Foundation Board of Directors

Leesburg, VA – August 4, 2026 – The Loudoun Laurels Foundation, a philanthropic organization dedicated to honoring exceptional community leadership and empowering the next generation of leaders through granting more than \$1.3 million in scholarships, is pleased to announce that Carol Barbe has joined its Board of Directors. Barbe, a longtime Loudoun County resident, is a respected business leader, philanthropist, and active community advocate, and is the President and CEO of Backflow Technology, LLC.

Barbe’s work as volunteer and business leader is grounded in service, integrity, and family. She brings more than 40 years of business management experience and nonprofit leadership to the Loudoun Laurels Foundation.

“We are honored to have Carol join us at Loudoun Laurels,” said Aparna Sanjay, executive director of the Foundation. “Carol is deeply committed to philanthropy and community service, and Loudoun Laurels will benefit greatly from the experience and strategic vision she will bring to the board.”

In addition to her new role on the Foundation board, Barbe has lent her time and leadership to organizations dedicated to women and girls, health care, hunger relief, public safety, and economic vitality. Her board service includes the Loudoun Chamber of Commerce, Loudoun Hunger Relief, Loudoun Coalition on Women and Girls, 100WomenStrong, and the Inova Loudoun Hospital Foundation. In 2024, she was honored as Philanthropist of the Year by the Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties.

Barbe and other members of the Loudoun Laurels Foundation board and leadership will attend the Celebration of Life & Leadership 2026 Gala on Saturday, September 26, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the National Conference Center. In addition to honoring 2026 Scholars Abby Byambatseren and Anab Yassin, the Foundation will recognize the 2026 Laureates Fran Craig and Kristi & Mike Huber – Loudoun County residents whose commitment to the community through leadership, community service, and philanthropy has helped make Loudoun County a wonderful place to live and work.

About the Loudoun Laurels Foundation

The Loudoun Laurels Foundation is dedicated to honoring exceptional community leadership and empowering the next generation of leaders through mentorship, scholarships, and educational support. The Foundation celebrates individuals whose contributions exemplify integrity, service, and civic engagement. For more information on prior Laurels Scholars and Laureate honorees, visit www.loudounlaurels.org or email info@loudounlaurels.org.

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