## Sky Foundation, Inc.

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## **Sky Foundation Names New President, Board Members**

For Immediate Release – June 28, 2021 -- Bloomfield Hills, Mich. – In a unanimous vote, <u>Sky Foundation</u>'s Governing Board named Shannon Crone, Managing Director, EY, as its new president. Shannon has served on the Sky board for nearly two years. She lost her husband, Mike Crone, an Executive Vice President with McCann in Detroit, to pancreatic cancer in 2019. She learned about Sky Foundation after Mike was diagnosed and she reached out to its Founder Sheila Sky Kasselman.

"Sheila was immediately supportive, and I have seen firsthand the incredible work of Sky Foundation in driving awareness of this disease, educating the community on early detection,

and patient advocacy," said Shannon. "I am truly humbled by this appointment and will do everything I can to advance its mission."

The Board also added Edna Jackson-Gray, Ph.D.; Leigh Settlemoir Dzwik, Ph.D., SPHR; and Niki Gallaudet to its roster.

Edna is a 13.5-year survivor of pancreatic cancer and has been engaged with the foundation for several years as a volunteer and leader. A retired health care professional and educator, she is active in several civic and community organizations.

Leigh is assistant dean at the School of Education and Human Services for Oakland University. She serves as the liaison between Sky's Scientific Advisory Committee and the Governing Board.

Niki is a returning board member. An active community volunteer, she has been involved with Sky Foundation since its inception in 2008.

To see the full list of Governing Board members, click <u>here</u>. For more photos, contact Amy Hennes.

Sky Foundation is a 501(c)3 with a mission to raise awareness of pancreatic cancer and find an early detection method to increase survival rates and save lives. Each year, Sky holds educational events and awards grants to scientists and clinicians from coast to coast who are pursuing research in the areas of early detection, prevention, or treatment. Pancreatic cancer is currently the third-deadliest cancer and one of the hardest to diagnose. Visit: <a href="https://www.skyfoundationinc.org">www.skyfoundationinc.org</a>.