



June 13, 2019

Dear Partners in Ministry,

With deep appreciation for her years of outstanding leadership and service, the Board of Directors is announcing that long-time Executive Director Susan Peters will be retiring at the end of this calendar year.

Susan has enjoyed meeting pastors and laity across California and Nevada and has guided the Foundation in many ways during her tenure as Executive Director. During this time, the Foundation grew from \$31.5 million to over \$70 million in assets under management. During her 10 years as Executive Director, she has assisted many congregations in our annual conference with legacy planning seminars, investment management services, endowment development and capital campaigns.

We cannot thank Susan enough for the dedication and enthusiasm she has given throughout her time with the Foundation. Our Board of Directors is grateful for her service to the United Methodist Church and the California-Nevada Annual Conference, and we wish her the very best as she transitions into retirement and more time with her grandchildren.

The Board of Directors is conducting a thorough search for a highly qualified new Executive Director. Susan, along with our excellent staff team of Cheri Kraus and Angela Slaton will help provide continuity throughout the transition.

We look forward to continuing to serve you and this Annual Conference and are excited for the next chapter of the Foundation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori B. Sawdon".

Rev. Lori Sawdon, President  
Board of Directors

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