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Felecia Maxfield-Barrett Appointed to Global Ties U.S. National Board of Directors

Utah international diplomacy executive selected to represent Utah on the United State's largest and oldest citizen diplomacy network board of directors.

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S.-based nonprofit Global Ties U.S. has named Felecia Maxfield-Barrett, Utah Global Diplomacy President & CEO, to its national board of directors. Maxfield-Barrett is joined by fellow new board members Ben Chang of Columbia University and Ghida Dagher of New American Leaders.

Maxfield-Barrett is the first Utahn to serve in this capacity in over a decade and brings a wealth of experience and knowledge as the President and CEO of one of the most active International Visitor Leadership Programs (IVLP) in the country.

"I am energized by the collective strength of our new Board members, including Felecia," said Katherine Brown, Ph.D., President and CEO of Global Ties U.S. "Her deep experience in public diplomacy and commitment to innovative programing at Utah Global Diplomacy will help us amplify the nationwide and international voices who believe that diplomacy begins here, with all of us."

Global Ties U.S. empowers individuals, communities, and nations to build trust and advance peace and prosperity through international exchange. It is the country's largest and oldest citizen diplomacy network of nonprofit organizations, with 90+ members implementing exchange programs in all 50 U.S. states.



"I am honored to join the board of directors at Global Ties U.S. and look forward to sharing our collective knowledge and experiences from Utah Global Diplomacy's work," said Maxfield-Barrett. "Along with my fellow board members, I am committed to building the social trust that is foundational to peace and prosperity, both globally and locally, through international exchange."

ABOUT UTAH GLOBAL DIPLOMACY:

Utah Global Diplomacy is committed to promoting respect and understanding between the people of Utah and other nations. This is done through citizen diplomacy - the concept that every individual has the right, even the responsibility, to help shape U.S. foreign relations by connecting with each other one handshake at a time. Utah Global Diplomacy applies citizen diplomacy efforts through its International Exchange Programs (in partnership with the U.S. State Department), World Affairs Lectures, Dialogues, & Conversations, and its Young Diplomats of Utah program. You can join Utah Global Diplomacy's community and conversations at <u>www.utahglobaldiplomacy.org</u> or by emailing <u>info@utahglobaldiplomacy.org</u>.

ABOUT GLOBAL TIES U.S.:

Global Ties U.S. powers individuals, communities, and nations to build trust and advance peace and prosperity through international exchange. It is a nonprofit partner of the U.S. Department of State and supports a community-based network of 90+ nonprofit organizations serving all 50 U.S. states. Global Ties U.S. members provide the domestic infrastructure for the International Visitor Leadership Program and a wide variety of educational, cultural, and professional exchange programs.

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