



## **The Arc Names New Board Chair for 2021**

**Riviera Beach, Fla. (February 8, 2021)** – The Arc of Palm Beach County has named Kurt Gehring as its new board chair. Gehring, the founder, president, and CEO of the Gehring Group, will lead the Board of Trustees for the next two years.

“Kurt is an incredible business and thought leader. The values he promotes at Gehring Group mirror those of The Arc – a passion for helping the community, a willingness to boldly pursue innovative solutions, and a strong dedication to his employees,” said Kimberly McCarten, The Arc’s president and CEO.

Gehring and members of his firm started volunteering at The Arc nearly a decade ago. The relationship grew, and in 2018, Gehring joined the board of trustees. “Kurt has experienced the impact of The Arc’s programs firsthand. His deep understanding of the needs of our clients, strong community connections, and a proven ability to successfully facilitate organizational growth will add tremendous value to The Arc. We are honored to have him leading our board,” said McCarten.

“My family inspires my philanthropy and that’s the culture I have tried to build at the Gehring Group. So, when I see our employees connecting with people and changing lives, I feel a true sense of pride,” said Gehring.

The Arc serves more than 3,100 families each year, offering programs that address the needs of all people with disabilities – from infants to seniors. Along with educational and recreational activities, The Arc also provides group housing and in-home or center-based respite care to help parents find balance as they care for their children.

### **About The Arc of Palm Beach County**

The Arc is changing the conversation around disabilities by defying definitions, inspiring possibilities, and improving the lives of the people we serve. Since 1958, The Arc has envisioned a community where every person feels welcome, connected, and accepted.

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