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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **FORCE Elects New Secretary to its Board of Directors**

Tampa, FL (June 24, 2021) – Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered (FORCE), the nation's only nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of individuals and families facing hereditary cancer, announces the election of Carmen Pace as Secretary to its board of directors.

Carmen is a registered nurse with experience in a variety of clinical settings, including oncology. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, she received a nursing degree from the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, as well as a Masters in Public Administration with a concentration in healthcare administration. Carmen is a patient advocate on PCORI's Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research Advisory Panel. Carmen's discovery of her BRCA2 gene mutation (after a breast cancer diagnosis at age 42) brought her to FORCE in 2012. She also volunteers as a FORCE State Impact Leader.

Carmen looks forward to helping further FORCE's mission, so that no one has to face hereditary cancer alone.

"We are delighted to have Carmen serve as our Secretary to help lead our board. Carmen's dedication to the hereditary cancer community and her unique experiences will help FORCE fulfill our mission," stated Barbara Pfeiffer, FORCE CEO.

## **About FORCE**

FORCE is dedicated to empowering the millions of individuals and families facing hereditary breast, ovarian, pancreatic, prostate, colorectal and endometrial cancers. Our community includes people with a BRCA, ATM, PALB2, CHEK2, PTEN or other inherited gene mutation and those diagnosed with Lynch syndrome. We are dedicated to providing up-to-date, expert-reviewed information and resources that help people make informed medical decisions. FORCE serves as a champion, unifying the community and advocating for awareness, access to care and better treatment and prevention options. Our strong, supportive community of peers and professionals ensures that no one must face hereditary cancer alone.

For more information, visit FORCE's website at www.facingourrisk.org.