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## HAVEN NAMES AIMEE NIMEH NEW PRESIDENT AND CEO

**PONTIAC, Mich. – Oct. 15, 2018** – HAVEN, Oakland County's only organization that provides comprehensive programs and services for survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence, has named Aimee Nimeh, LMSW, its new president and CEO effective today. The announcement was made by Debra Thorpe, HAVEN Board Chair.

Nimeh will be responsible for the strategic direction and oversight of the full continuum of HAVEN's services, including its emergency shelter, crisis line, counseling, advocacy, forensic exams, community resources and educational programming, which the nonprofit provides to more than 30,000 people impacted by sexual assault and domestic violence each year in Oakland County and surrounding areas.

"As a very experienced nonprofit executive who brings a lifelong passion, commitment and advocacy to survivors of domestic and sexual violence, we are delighted to welcome Ms. Nimeh to the HAVEN organization. We are confident that her business acumen founded in strategic planning, continuous improvement, and leadership development will accelerate the advancement of HAVEN's mission," said Thorpe.

Prior to joining HAVEN, Nimeh was the executive director of Susan G. Komen Greater Detroit in Southfield, Mich. where she was responsible for transforming the Detroit Race for the Cure program into Susan G Komen Greater Detroit, a new, fully functioning affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Nimeh also served as a Project Director at the Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board and is a faculty member at the Wayne State University School of Social Work.

Nimeh has dedicated her career to the care of others. Prior to her role with Susan G. Komen, the world's largest nonprofit source of funding for the fight against breast cancer, Nimeh spent seven years at Common Ground in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., one of the most comprehensive crisis service and behavioral health agencies in the country. She advanced through several positions at Common Ground, culminating with her role as vice president of programs and services. Nimeh began her career at The University of Michigan Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Center in Ann Arbor.

"I am thrilled to have this opportunity to work with the HAVEN Board of Directors and staff, survivors and advocates, and the community to lead HAVEN into the future. HAVEN has had a profound impact on Oakland County and beyond, and I am so excited to continue to build upon that legacy," said Nimeh.

A resident of Farmington Hills, Mich., Nimeh earned both her bachelor's degree in Sociology and master's degree in Social Work from The University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. She also received an Arabic Language Certificate from the University of Jordan in Amman.

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## **About HAVEN**

HAVEN is Oakland County's only organization that offers comprehensive programs and services for survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence, providing 24/7 crisis line, emergency shelter, medical forensic exams, counseling, court advocacy, community resources and prevention education to more than 30,000 people each year in Oakland County and surrounding areas. Nationally recognized with 43 years of experience, HAVEN's mission is to empower survivors to heal,

and to engage all individuals and communities to address and prevent sexual assault and intimate partner violence. For more information, visit <a href="www.haven-oakland.org">www.haven-oakland.org</a> .
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