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## SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK OF ORANGE COUNTY WELCOMES NEW INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

*David Coffaro Brings Strong Background in Change Leadership and Organization Transformation as Food Bank Continues Mission of Creating a Future Where No One Goes Hungry*

**IRVINE, Calif. (September 4, 2018)** – Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County recently announced the appointment of a new interim chief executive officer, David G. Coffaro. Coffaro, previously executive vice president, chief fiduciary officer and head of trust and fiduciary services for Wells Fargo Wealth Investment Management, has been a supporter of Second Harvest for more than twenty-six years, including serving as board vice chair, and will bring extensive experience to the nonprofit.

Coffaro, a resident of Fullerton, has a distinguished record of leadership in the design, development and implementation of growth-oriented business strategies. His areas of expertise include leading organizations in the process of strategy development and execution, change leadership, organization transformation, and innovation. He is a well-respected leader, with a strong reputation for investing in and developing diverse talent for the benefit of organizations and their stakeholders.

“As we continue to lead the fight to end hunger in Orange County, we are pleased to welcome Dave as our interim CEO,” said Kate Klimow, Board Chair of Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County. “We trust his knowledge, expertise and commitment to the community will prove to be invaluable and we look forward to his strong leadership as we continue our work towards creating a future in which no one goes hungry.”

Coffaro first became a Second Harvest board member in 1992 when he led a strategic planning session and initiated a Corporate Food Drive to engage businesses in the county to get more involved with the food bank. Coffaro began his second term on the board in 2016 after being invited to participate in the nonprofit’s corporate outreach strategy. Coffaro and his family have also spent many years volunteering together at the food bank.

“After more than two decades working closely with Second Harvest as a board member, volunteer, and supporter, it is my honor and privilege to lead the organization through this transition,” says Coffaro. “We have an incredible team of staff and partners who are making a difference every day in the lives of those in need in Orange County and I look forward to working side by side with each of them and the board to continue our important work in the community and to reach our Bold Goal of ending hunger.”

Coffaro has comprehensive knowledge of wealth structuring advice, investment management, real estate and specialty asset management, philanthropic and trust services to high-net worth and affluent individuals. Prior to Wells Fargo, Coffaro’s experience included roles as director of

international treasury and trade finance products, director of institutional and government investment sales and products, regional private banking manager, private bank relationship manager and commercial banker. He earned a Master of Business Administration degree in Strategic Management from the Peter F. Drucker Graduate School of Management at the Claremont Graduate University. He also taught strategic management and business policy at California State University, Fullerton.

Coffaro will serve as the interim CEO with the departure of Nicole Suydam, CEO of Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County. Under Suydam's leadership over the past six years, Second Harvest provided a record 25.1 million meals last year and launched a Bold Goal of increasing the number of meals Second Harvest provides from 20 million to 30 million by 2021, putting the organization on pace to close the meal gap entirely by 2025. The organization is undertaking an executive search to fill the chief executive officer position permanently.

#### **About Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County**

Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County is the largest nonprofit hunger relief organization in Orange County leading the fight to end hunger for more than 301,000 men, women and children at risk of hunger in our community. Second Harvest distributes donated, purchased and prepared foods through a network of more than 200 partner agencies in locations throughout the county. Last year, Second Harvest provided enough food for a record 25.1 million meals, feeding more than 250,000 people each month. Every dollar donated to Second Harvest provides enough food for three meals for the hungry. Second Harvest is a member of Feeding America, a national hunger relief organization. For more information about our work and how you can help, visit [FeedOC.org](http://FeedOC.org)

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