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> Mosaic Welcomes Four NGO and Philanthropy Leaders onto its Leadership Council Strategy-setting group represents a broad cross-section of the environmental movement

SAN FRANCISCO, California – Mosaic, a national collaborative funder and field catalyst supporting the environmental movement across climate, conservation, and environmental health and justice, today announced the addition of four new members to its Leadership Council: Chris Hill, Chief Executive Officer of the Conservation Lands Foundation; Tom Kiernan, President and Chief Executive Officer of American Rivers; Dr. Katie Huffling, Executive Director of the Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments; and Nina Lagpacan, Program Officer with Oceankind.

The leadership council is the core of Mosaic's participatory grantmaking, bringing together a diverse cross-section of leaders to collaboratively set strategy and practice and model democratic governance. The new members join a group of nine other grassroots, national NGO, and philanthropic leaders representing the full range of the environmental movement across climate, conservation, and environmental health and justice.

"We are so honored to welcome these four incredible leaders," said Mosaic Executive Director Eva Hernandez. "The power of our leadership council lies in the way it connects people working in different parts of the country, in different sectors, with different approaches, but with a shared set of values and vision for thriving communities and a thriving planet. This ensures we can see the bigger whole that we are collectively building towards. Every one of our members is deeply committed to building bridges across differences in order to build a stronger, more cohesive, and more pluralistic movement. In a time of deep divides, this is a critical antidote."

<u>Chris Hill</u> is the Chief Executive Officer of the Conservation Lands Foundation, bringing over 15 years of experience in community organizing, environmental law and lobbying, and public

policy advocacy. A former Chief Conservation Officer at the Sierra Club, Chris has built a distinguished career advancing conservation, outdoor equity, and just transition initiatives across various landscapes. She serves on the boards of Trout Unlimited and One Green Thing, and was featured in the award-winning film *Where I Belong*.

"I am honored to join Mosaic's Leadership Council, which brings together grassroots leaders, nonprofits, and philanthropy to strengthen the shared infrastructure our movements need. This model of collective leadership reflects my belief that lasting change is only possible when we build power together across communities, geographies, and issues."

<u>Dr. Katie Huffling</u> is a Certified Nurse-Midwife and the Executive Director of the Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments (ANHE), the only national nursing organization whose primary focus is on the intersection of health and the environment. With ANHE, Dr. Huffling works with nurses and nursing organizations to elevate environmental health issues amongst the nursing profession. Dr. Huffling is a passionate supporter of nurse-led advocacy in support of healthier environments for all.

"In order to create a world that supports justice and healthier environments for all, we need diverse voices at the table. I am thrilled to be joining the Mosaic Leadership Council as I have seen the power of their work – building connections and ensuring the voices of folks most impacted by climate change are heard."

<u>Tom Kiernan</u> is President and CEO of American Rivers, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to ensuring every river is clean and healthy for people and wildlife. Previously, Tom led the American Wind Energy Association and the National Parks Conservation Association. Throughout his career, Tom has worked to broaden the movement for clean water and conservation, and has advanced innovative solutions that benefit people and nature.

<u>Nina Lagpacan</u> is a Program Officer with Oceankind, a philanthropic organization based in the San Francisco Bay Area dedicated to protecting marine ecosystems. She provides operational support and manages Oceankind's investments that advance diversity, equity, inclusion and justice in marine conservation and environmental philanthropy. Prior to joining Oceankind, Nina worked with the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation and as a park ranger in the Tetons and Rockies for the National Park Service.

"I'm honored to join Mosaic's leadership council. Mosaic plays a vital role in our conservation movement by bridging silos, filling gaps, and shifting power. I look forward to continuing to

build the environmental justice movement and advocate for communities most vulnerable to the negative effects of climate change through this role with Mosaic."

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About Mosaic

Mosaic is a national funder and field catalyst that boosts the collective power of climate, conservation, and environmental health and justice movements in the United States to achieve durable, population-level wins. A participatory grantmaker created by and for the field, Mosaic supports the connectivity and shared tools – also known as movement infrastructure – advocates and activists need to build and exercise power across demographics, geographies, and issue silos. Since 2020, Mosaic's Leadership Council of grassroots, nonprofit, and philanthropy movement leaders has funded \$32M in critical shared tools and collaborative projects that are strengthening alliances, driving policy wins, and reinforcing the power of collective action. Mosaic is a fiscally sponsored project of the Tides Center, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.