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David Grams Named New Executive Director

Milwaukee, WI – May 31, 2017 - The Alzheimer's Association, Southeastern Wisconsin Chapter is pleased to announce the appointment of David Grams as its new Executive Director. The selection was made after an intensive nationwide search process. Dave will take over for Tom Hlavacek, who retires on June 30 after 12 years with the chapter.

Dave has more than 25 years of experience in the non-profit sector and brings a wealth of knowledge to the organization. He helped every organization that he worked for grow and support a broader mission. Since 2015, Dave has served as a national Field Director for the Alzheimer's Association and most recently stepped in as the Interim Director for two Alzheimer's Association chapters in Ohio. In his role as national Field Director, Dave's territory included the Southeastern Wisconsin Chapter. He visited the chapter often, served as a liaison between the chapter and the Chicago home office on a number of issues, attended Chapter events such as Reason to Hope, Walk to End Alzheimer's, and the Mardi Gras Gala and is known and respected by many chapter staff and local board members. Dave's extensive knowledge of the Association's mission and strategic plan combined with his in-depth experience with the Southeastern Wisconsin Chapter will help ensure a smooth and successful transition of leadership. He will officially begin with the Chapter on June 12.

Dave is a Wisconsin native and was excited to return to his home state a few years ago. "I am truly grateful for this opportunity and very pleased to be working more closely with the board, staff and volunteers of the Southeast Wisconsin Chapter," said Dave.

Dave's past experience also includes serving as Executive Director of the Southeast Wisconsin affiliate of the American Heart Association and he worked in various positions with the American Cancer Society for 22 years, 13 of them in Wisconsin and the Midwest Region. Dave is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. He and his family live in Shorewood, Wisconsin.

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About the Alzheimer's Association

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer care, support and research whose mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. For more information about Alzheimer's disease and local services visit www.alz.org/sewi or call the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900.

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