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Amy Pulles Selected to Succeed Retiring Sherry Williams as President & CEO of the Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness

**Columbus, OH (December 14, 2021)** The Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness announced that Amy Pulles, VP of Prevent Blindness, Ohio Affiliate (PBO) will succeed Sherry Williams, its President & CEO upon her planned retirement on January 1, 2022.

Pulles has served PBO in a variety of leadership roles since 2014 including as its Development Coordinator, Director of Development, VP for Development and Field Services and most recently as Vice President of the organization. Her prior work experience included positions with the Red Cross and League of Women Voters.

Williams served as PBO's President & CEO since 1986 and helped establish the organization as a public health leader in vision and eye health. Under her leadership, the organization established 5 staffed Chapter offices serving all areas of Ohio, increased the reach of its sight-saving services to over 1 million Ohioans annually and established legislation creating a voluntary donation on Ohio motor vehicle registrations to support children's vision programs statewide.

"The Prevent Blindness succession plan worked beautifully as it allowed Williams to mentor Pulles for several years to prepare her candidacy for the Board's consideration," said Carolyn King, Board Chair of the Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness. "Prevent Blindness is in excellent condition to build on our past successes and expand them to meet the challenges of the future."

## **About Prevent Blindness, Ohio Affiliate**

Founded in 1908, Prevent Blindness is the nation's leading volunteer eye health and safety organization dedicated to fighting blindness and saving sight. The Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness serves all 88 Ohio counties, providing direct services to 1,000,000 Ohioans annually and educating millions of consumers about what they can do to protect and preserve their precious gift of sight. For more information or to make a

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