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Christina Astrove and Pat Larts join Literations' Board of Directors

BOSTON, MA - Literations is pleased to announce the appointment of two new board members, Christina Astrove and Pat Larts.

Christina Astrove has over three decades of experience as a teacher serving Kindergarten through second grade. She most recently served as a Literacy Specialist in Cambridge Public Schools, working with teachers to implement best literacy practices for grades K-5 and training interns and volunteers in literacy assessments and phonics and reading instruction. Ms. Astrove holds a Bachelor of Arts from Tufts University in Child Study and a Master of Arts from New York University in Teaching Emotionally Disturbed Children.

Pat Larts has been a crucial member of the Literations community for 12+ years through her role as a volunteer and Site Team Leader. Ms. Larts has served as the Site Team Leader of Trotter Elementary School since 2013. She has also served as a member of the Literations Program Committee since 2011, providing recommendations to continuously improve outcomes for our students. Ms. Larts lives in Dorchester and is deeply rooted in her community, playing an active role not only at Trotter Elementary School but also at her church in Hyde Park, New Hope Baptist.

"We are grateful and excited to welcome Christina Astrove and Pat Larts to our board of directors. Pat has been a pillar of the Literations community for over 12 years, and brings extensive knowledge of our program to the board. Christina brings a valuable perspective to Literations thanks to her direct experience in implementing literacy best practices within school districts," stated Wes Enicks, Executive Director.

About Literations

Literations addresses Greater Boston's literacy gap by training older adult volunteers to provide caring intergenerational mentorship and targeted literacy interventions to students in 1st-4th grade. Students improve their reading scores by an average of 1.5 grade levels, and show significant improvements in overall social-emotional learning. To learn more, visit literations.org, or call 617-423-6633.