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### **INTERFAITH WORKS OF CENTRAL NEW YORK APPOINTS NEW MEMBERS TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Syracuse, NY — **InterFaith Works of Central New York** recently appointed **Mehtab Bajwa, MD, Emily Bowe, James Duah-Agyeman, PhD, Mirza Tihic** and **Eunice Williams** to its Board of Directors. They will serve a three-year term.

**Dr. Mehtab Bajwa** is an anesthesiologist with American Anesthesiology of Syracuse, PC. He earned his doctor of medicine degree in 1999 from Ross University of Medicine, N. Brunswick, NJ, and is certified by the American Board of Anesthesiology. He practices at St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center, Syracuse, NY. Dr. Bajwa resides in Jamesville, NY.

**Emily Bowe** is associate content manager/public relations at Eric Mower & Associates where she is responsible for business-to-business public relations activities for a number of industries, including broadcast, document imaging, energy and business operations. Her previous experience includes serving as a public relations specialist at Polaris Library Systems, Liverpool, NY, and as a content management director at Dot Studio in Columbia, Md. She holds a bachelor's degree in communications and fine arts from Bradley University, Peoria, Ill. She is a resident of Syracuse, NY.

**Dr. James K. Duah-Agyeman** is director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs at Syracuse University. The office supports and promotes the academic achievement, multicultural competence, social development, civic engagement and retention of students from historically underrepresented racial/ethnic groups. He also serves as SU's chief diversity officer for the Division of Student Affairs. He holds a PhD in mathematics education from Syracuse University and is an adjunct assistant professor in SU's Cultural Foundations of Education program, where he teaches the Intergroup Dialogue on Race and Ethnicity course. Dr. Duah-Agyeman resides in Liverpool, NY.

**Mirza Tihic** is assistant director of the Office for Veterans and Military Affairs at Syracuse University where he is responsible for developing and implementing a comprehensive strategy related to the education, research and employment of veterans, military connected students and military family members. He previously served as director of program support services and as director of employment programs at Syracuse University's Institute for Veterans and Military Families. He holds master's degrees in business administration and neuroscience from Syracuse University as well as a bachelor's degree in mathematics. He currently is pursuing his doctorate degree in Syracuse University's Cultural Foundations of Education program. He resides in Syracuse, NY.

**Eunice D. Williams** is the vice president/chief diversity officer at Onondaga Community College where she is responsible for providing leadership and support for the college's Diversity Council, working with college groups and administrators in the formulation and review of programs and policies pertaining to the needs of diverse and underrepresented populations, as well as advising college constituencies on multicultural/diversity issues, trends and program activities. She is an active member of a number of local and national boards, including the YWCA of Syracuse and Onondaga County, CNY Arts (Cultural Resource Council), CNY Vision and the Interreligious Food Consortium. Williams earned her bachelor's degree in psychology from the State University of New York/University at Buffalo and her master's degree in counseling education at Syracuse University, where she also has completed graduate coursework toward a doctorate degree in higher/postsecondary education. She resides in East Syracuse, NY.

InterFaith Works of CNY, through education, service and dialogue, affirms the dignity of each person and every faith community and works to create relationships and understanding. Founded in 1976, InterFaith Works addresses deeply embedded social divisions leading to community action and policy change. Empowering people in need, including refugees, the elderly and institutionalized, InterFaith Works' service and educational programs include the Center for New Americans, Ahmad and Elizabeth El-Hindi Center for Dialogue, as well as Senior Services and Spiritual Care Programs.

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