

Media Release:

Ms. Lisa Broda appointed to the position of Advocate for Children and Youth for the Province of Saskatchewan.

Hon. Mark Docherty, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly announced today that the Legislative Assembly unanimously adopted a motion to appoint Ms. Lisa Broda as the Advocate for Children and Youth for the Province of Saskatchewan. The appointment is made pursuant to subsection 3(2) of *The Advocate for Children and Youth Act*. Ms. Broda will take office effective November 4, 2019.

Ms. Broda holds a PhD in Sociology, a M.A. in Sociology, a B.A in Sociology from the University of Saskatchewan and a B.A from Montana State University. She has had many professional highlights throughout her career and has received various awards including the Premier's Award for Excellence, Ministry of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing in 2010.

Ms. Broda is currently serving in the role of Deputy Advocate for Children and Youth. In this role under the authority and mandate of *The Advocate for Children and Youth Act 2012*, and through delegated powers of the Advocate she has lead at the executive leadership level in all ministries that serve children and youth. She has worked collaboratively with ministries, stakeholders, communities, families, First Nations and Metis Governments and agencies. She has embraced the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Actions and the principles of reconciliation.

Ms. Broda brings over 25 years of experience in senior leadership, community engagement and research. She has worked closely with the Canadian Council of Child and Youth Advocates, most recently leading the Council's national paper on youth suicide. She has worked as Senior Lecturer for the Department of Sociology since 2000 for the University of Saskatchewan, and has authored and co-authored various publications.

Ms. Broda is dedicated to community involvement serving in several community leadership roles, and is currently the Chair of the Prairieaction Foundation.

Speaker Docherty said, "Ms. Broda is highly accomplished and I look forward to working with her in the Role of "Advocate for Children and Youth."

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