

## **SLATE OF NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION**

### **First two-year term (new directors)**

Erin Beaudoin

Baljit Kang

Kahir Lalji

Valerie Mann

### **Second two-year term (existing directors completed first two-year term)**

Jennifer Hystad

Sheri Hundseth

Raman Johal

## **ERIN BEAUDOIN**

Erin Beaudoin is a passionate advocate for individuals living with dementia and their caregivers. Currently serving as the Chief Operations Officer for the Vancouver Island Real Estate Board, she brings extensive leadership experience to her advocacy efforts.

As the former Executive Director of Eden Gardens, Erin led 240 healthcare professionals in providing compassionate, person-centered care to 130 elders living with dementia at Eden Gardens and over 500 individuals in the community via the programs offered. She was a strong proponent of The Eden Philosophy, fostering environments that prioritized personhood and dignity for individuals with dementia and their caregivers.

Erin's advocacy extends through her active involvement with the Technical Advisory Board of SafeCare BC, as Vice President of the BC Care Providers Association, and as a Subject Matter Expert with the Family Caregivers of BC. Erin also worked closely with the local Alzheimer's Society to better support those living in her community. Through these roles, she has championed improved care standards, advocated for the safety and well-being of healthcare workers, and supported the critical role of family caregivers.

Her deep commitment to advancing dementia care, reducing stigma, and supporting research aligns with the mission of the Alzheimer Society of BC. Erin's advocacy, leadership, and passion make her a strong candidate for the Board of Directors.

## **BALJIT KANG**

Baljit has over 30 years experience in the information technology sector overseeing complex projects and managing diverse teams while driving strategic initiatives. Her experience has equipped her with the skills necessary to navigate the challenges of governance, finance and organizational strategy.

Baljit has a personal commitment to the Alzheimer Society of BC's mission which fuels her passion for advocacy, research and support services for both those living with Alzheimer's and dementia and their families.

## **KAHIR LALJI**

Kahir Lalji is the Provincial Director, Government Relations & Community Engagement with the United Way British Columbia – working with communities in BC's North, Interior, Lower Mainland and Central & Northern Vancouver Island. Inspired by caring for his grandparents, Kahir dedicated the last 15+ years of his life in the Provincial, National and International NGO space intentional in supporting the quality of life of equity-seeking groups– always attempting to ensure the representation of traditionally underserved populations.

## **VALERIE MANN**

Valerie (Val) is a partner at Lawson Lundell LLP. She is the founder and Chair of the firm's Technology practice group and founder and Co-Chair of the firm's Social Impact and Business Sustainability Group. Her practice is transactional, including mergers and acquisitions, financings, and private equity, venture and social impact fund formations, as well as advisory, including commercial and governance. Val has been extensively involved in firm management and is the former Managing Partner of Lawson Lundell.

Val is recognized by various legal publications including Best Lawyers in Canada for technology, corporate law and mergers & acquisitions law, including being named Corporate Lawyer of the Year – Vancouver in 2022; by Lexpert as a leading practitioner in corporate/commercial law, corporate mid-market transactions, and technology transactions. She was inducted into the Women's Executive Network Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Hall of Fame in 2018; was recognized by BC Business Magazine as one of BC's Most Influential Women in Business in 2015 and BC's Most Influential Women in Finance in 2019; was the recipient of a Business in Vancouver Influential Women in Business Award in 2021, and was named one of the 500 Most Influential Leaders in BC in each of 2021, 2022 and 2023.

Val has a B.Comm (Honours) from Queen's University (Kingston) and a JD from Osgoode Hall Law School (Toronto). She obtained her ICD.D Designation from the Institute of Corporate Directors Education Program in 2016. She has served on and chaired a number of not-for-profit boards and board committees, including with organizations that form part of the innovation and entrepreneur ecosystem, women's equity, and advancing under-represented groups. Val had personal experience in supporting extended family members who were diagnosed with Alzheimer's and dementia, and has participated in the Climb for Alzheimer's in their honour.