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JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF GREATER ST. LOUIS ANNOUNCES TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Chesterfield, MO – Junior Achievement of Greater St. Louis, Inc. (JASTL), a non-profit organization that provides financial literacy, work readiness, and entrepreneurial education to students in K-12, is proud to announce the following individuals are now serving on the organization's Board of Directors.



Gopi Joshi – Sr. Vice President, Software Engineering with Mastercard Operations and Technology Mr. Joshi has been working with and at Mastercard for almost 20 years, first working on a multi-million dollar initiative to overhaul their global transaction processing systems, and most recently integrating value-added payment processing services such as Apple Pay, as well as security services, into its Authorization systems.

He has been volunteering with JA for six years.



Mary Ramatowski - Partner, Assurance Services with Ernst & Young. Ms. Ramatowski is a member of the Ernst & Young's Assurance practice, focusing on providing services to a diverse base of both public and private companies within the commodities, mining, manufacturing, wholesale and retail industries.

"Our mission is to make the world and our community a better place by inspiring and preparing young people to succeed in the global economy" Lori Jacob, JASTL President and CEO said. "These new Board members bring their passion for our mission as well as their energy and drive to our organization. We are so excited to have them."

JAGSL is the 5th largest JA operation in the country. They continue to work to keep the Dennis and Judy Jones Free Enterprise Center in the Chesterfield Valley current with new technology and innovative programs. These board members will have input and responsibility for helping JA's ambitious capital campaign reach its goal of providing long term financial stability for this primarily privately funded organization.

About Junior Achievement of Greater St. Louis - Junior Achievement of Greater St. Louis (JASTL) was founded in 1943. Encompassing 78 counties in Missouri and southern Illinois, JASTL served 160,600 K-12 students in 820 schools during the 2016-17 school year. JA programs are offered in parochial, private, and public schools and education centers throughout the St. Louis Metropolitan region, with satellite operations in outlying areas. For more information, visit www.jastl.org.