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Amy Hernandez Joins LGHS Board of Directors

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 15 April 2025 — The Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society (LGHS) is pleased to announce that Amy Hernandez joins its board of directors.

"We are excited to welcome Amy back to LGHS," said Robert Brevelle, Chairman of the LGHS. "Amy was a member over a decade ago, and she recently rejoined the society after moving back to Louisiana. She is a major contributor to genealogy platforms such as Family Search and Find A Grave, and she has been working in the field of genealogy and Louisiana history for over 30 years. We are fortunate to have her join the board as our At-Large director."

Amy is a native of Louisiana and grew up in Baton Rouge. She has a bachelor's degree from Louisiana State University and a master's from Loyola University New Orleans. Amy has over 40 years of experience in the medical and pharmaceutical industry, and she has over 20 years of experience in genealogy.

"It is wonderful to be back home in Louisiana and to reconnect with friends, family, and organizations," said Amy. "All of the changes at LGHS are encouraging, and it is amazing to see the new programs, initiatives, and members. I hope to help the organization grow and prosper."

The LGHS was founded in 1953 to collect, preserve, and publish genealogical and historical materials for the state of Louisiana and its people. The society works closely with genealogy and ancestry libraries, historical societies, state agencies, research facilities, and universities. LGHS is headquartered in Baton Rouge and sponsors two seminars each year at the Louisiana State Archives building and at alternating location typically at a genealogical library or historic site. The society provides for a certification and renewal program for genealogists and heraldists. Additionally, the society maintains the official state registries containing 6 registers: Indigenous Tribes of Louisiana, Founding Fathers of Louisiana, First Families of Louisiana, Creoles of Louisiana, Cajuns of Louisiana, and Manilamen of Louisiana. For over 70 years, the society has published The Louisiana Genealogical Register – an eclectic collection of Louisiana records as well as historical and genealogical articles. Over 100 libraries subscribe to this journal. Other publications include historical books such as Louisiana Soldiers in the War of 1812, Federal Census of 1810 for Territory of Orleans, A Guide to Printed Sources for

Genealogical and Historical Research in the Louisiana Parishes, Be it Known and Remembered: Bible Records (Volumes 1-5), and Early Louisiana Families.

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