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Cahill named as new president/CEO of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce

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Tim Cahill

Rockland, MA The South Shore Chamber of Commerce, the region's largest chamber, said that Tim Cahill has been selected to serve as the next president and CEO, effective January 1, 2025.

The South Shore Chamber board of directors voted to approve the hiring of Cahill; Cahill will replace Peter Forman, who is leaving the chamber after 20 years of service on December 31, 2024.

Cahill, served as treasurer of Massachusetts from 2003 to 2011. His political career also includes a six-year tenure as Norfolk County treasurer and as a 16-year member of the Quincy City Council. Prior to his appointment as president and CEO of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce, Cahill served as president and executive director of the Quincy Chamber of Commerce.

"I am deeply honored to be appointed as the president and CEO of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce," said Cahill. "I am committed to fostering a vibrant business community, driving economic growth, and working collaboratively with our members to create a prosperous future for all. Together, we will build on our strengths and seize new opportunities to ensure that our region continues to thrive."

Joe Gratta, CEO of Atlantic Mechanical and chair of the South Shore Chamber board of directors, said, "We are delighted to announce the appointment of Tim Cahill as the new president and CEO of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce. His extensive experience and dedication to fostering community and business growth make Tim the perfect choice to lead our chamber into an exciting new era. We are confident that under his leadership, our organization will continue to thrive and deliver exceptional value to our members and the community at large."

The South Shore Chamber of Commerce has experienced significant growth over the past 20 years, serving more than 1,100 members over 25 communities in the South Shore region. The Chamber has also achieved multiple years of Five-Star Accreditation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, a distinction granted to only the top 1% of chambers in the country, and most recently re-earned earlier this year. The chamber's South Shore Economic Development Corp. (SSEDC) has received the Regional Economic Development Organization (REDO) designation from the Massachusetts Office of Business Development, is well-known for its community engagement, and is nationally recognized for its regional marketing campaigns and positive press coverage for local development efforts.

"As I step down from my role as president and CEO, I am filled with confidence and optimism for the future of the chamber," said Forman, who has spearheaded several initiatives over his two decades of work with the chamber, most notably South Shore 2030, a comprehensive roadmap designed to promote long-term economic growth and sustainability in southeastern Massachusetts. "Tim has been a steadfast advocate for our business community and brings a wealth of experience and vision to the role. I have no doubt that under his leadership, the chamber will continue to grow and thrive, promoting economic development and supporting our members in new and innovative ways. I look forward to seeing the incredible achievements that Tim, the board of directors, and our chamber members will accomplish together."

