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For Immediate Release:

MENTOR Rhode Island Joins Forces with Starbucks for Mentoring Day on Friday, January 13, 2023.

All Rhode Island Starbucks locations will host staff from MENTOR Rhode Island and several other local mentoring programs to spread the word about the importance of youth mentoring. Starbucks is participating to engage and inspire community members to learn more about how easy it is to become a mentor. The event coincides with National Mentoring Month. With hundreds of Rhode Island youth on program wait lists, we are seeking to recruit 100 mentors on Mentoring Day at Starbucks.

With 1 in 3 young people unable to identify a mentor in their lives, the need for mentors is great. National surveys show at-risk youth with a mentor are 55% more likely to enroll in college than at-risk youth who don't have one and are 78% more likely to volunteer in their communities.

WHAT: Mentoring Event Hosted by MENTOR RI and all RI Starbucks locations

WHEN: Friday, January 13, 2023 between 10am and 1pm

WHERE: All RI Starbucks locations – exact times may vary by location

EDITOR'S NOTE: Press interested in covering the event may contact Christopher Margadonna at cmargadonna@mentorri.org or 401.793.6260 to coordinate the best time and location for coverage.

About MENTOR Rhode Island:

MENTOR Rhode Island: The RI Mentoring Partnership, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit with more than 30-years' experience in the youth mentoring field. We are dedicated to the expansion of quality mentoring services for youth by working with them directly, connecting them to mentoring opportunities, and sharing our expertise in the best practices in mentoring with others who strive to inspire and empower them. Our mission is to ensure youth have access to the motivational and supportive relationships they need to grow into confident, successful adults. We are Rhode Island's only approved training and technical assistance provider for the National Mentoring Resource Center and offer volunteer referral services, statewide marketing campaigns and advocacy for mentoring. As the state's mentoring expert, we connect, inspire, and empower mentors, mentees and mentoring programs across the state.