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Bridget Garvin Joins CVNPA as Director of Volunteer Programs

Peninsula, Ohio - Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA) is pleased to announce that **Bridget Garvin**, formerly the executive director of Cascade Locks Park Association, has accepted the position as **Director of Volunteer Programs**. Bridget is the first person to hold this newly established position that will work alongside the National Park Service to oversee and manage the park's and CVNPA's volunteer corps of over 2,000 people.

"Bridget has great experience in successfully developing volunteer programs," commented Deb Yandala, CVNPA's Chief Executive Officer. "Our volunteer program is one of the largest in the country and we look forward to reaching out to more citizens in northeast Ohio, with opportunities to engage in our national park. Bridget's passion for the park will be inspiring to others and we look forward to the development of new volunteer activities and programs in the park."

Bridget graduated with a Master of Arts in Environmental Studies from the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs, at Cleveland State University. She was the first student to graduate with this degree. During her time at CSU, Bridget served as a graduate assistant, an intern with the National Park Service, and a research consultant on state brownfields programs. Bridget is a member of Leadership Akron Class XXIV. She is also a member of the Rotary Club of Akron, serving on the Chili Open Committee, and the membership committee, and is on the Board of Directors for the Rotary Camp.

Media: Attached is a photograph of Ms. Garvin.

CVNPA is a nonprofit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. For more information about CVNPA and its membership program, visit www.cvnpa.org or call (330) 657-2909.

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CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information about the park visit www.nps.gov/cuva/ or www.dayinthevalley.com or call (216) 524-1497 or (800) 445-9667.

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