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Mental Health America of Indiana (MHAI) would like to highlight Governor Eric Holcomb's recent appointments to various state boards and commissions. We are delighted to announce the five individuals appointed to the Behavioral Health Commission, who will serve until June 30, 2025, and whose commitment to behavioral health care aligns with our mission.

The newly appointed members of the Behavioral Health Commission include:

1. Zoe Frantz (West Lafayette) – President and CEO of the Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers, Inc.
2. Stephen McCaffrey (Knightstown) – President and CEO for Mental Health America of Indiana
3. Tom Murtaugh (Lafayette) – Tippecanoe County Commissioner
4. Jason Tomcsi (Indianapolis) – Associate State Director for Communications with AARP
5. Rachel Yoder (Indianapolis) – Director of the Triple Board Residency Program and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship at the Indiana University School of Medicine

Mental Health America of Indiana commends Governor Holcomb for his selection of individuals who share a commitment to improving mental health services and supports within our state. The appointment of Stephen McCaffrey, President and CEO of MHAI, is particularly significant as it continues the role of a behavioral health advocacy network on the commission.

The Behavioral Health Commission plays an integral role in shaping the future of mental health in Indiana, and MHAI believes that these appointments will significantly contribute to advancing the efforts to improve the well-being of individuals and communities across the state.

Additionally, we would like to take a moment to express our gratitude to Senator Crider for championing the establishment of the commission. It is worth noting that the last commission report played a pivotal role in shaping Senate Enrolled Act 1 of the 2023 legislative session, which has been widely regarded as the "Game changer" bill intended to bring fundamental change to Indiana's behavioral health care system.