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A globally recognized executive, Mori Taheripour has over two decades of Negotiation, diversity and inclusion (D&I), and sports industry experience. She teaches Negotiation and Dispute Resolution at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania where she has served on the faculty of the Legal Studies and Business Ethics Department for over fifteen years and is a six-time recipient of awards for excellence in teaching. She is also a co-founder of the Wharton Sports Business Initiative (WSBI), a resource that generates industry insight through research, educational programs and global forums.

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With extensive experience leading initiatives at the intersection of sport and social change in both the public and private sectors, Ms. Taheripour was appointed the first-ever Senior Advisor for Sport for Development at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in 2010. She served for four years as the senior U.S. Government Representative tasked with promoting sport as a unique and powerful tool in the advancement of United States international development goals.

Ms. Taheripour's diversity and inclusion experience spans more than twenty years across a range of disciplines, including marketing and communications, talent pipeline development, and stakeholder engagement. After Hurricane Katrina, she joined the leadership ranks of the American Red Cross as the Vice President of Corporate Diversity where she led efforts to design and implement organization-wide diversity practices that ensured personnel, programs, and policies reflected the communities in which it operates.

Ms. Taheripour serves on the Board of Trustees of the Women's Sports Foundation and is a founding Advisory Board Member of the Sports Leadership & Administration Undergraduate Degree Program at UMass, Boston. She is a contributor to sports discussions on *Wharton Business Daily* on SiriusXM and was featured in ESPN's "30 for 30" documentary, *Broke*.

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