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Brandon, MB – Carly Gasparini to step down as ED of Westman Immigrant Services.

Carly Gasparini has regretfully offered her letter of resignation to the Board of Westman Immigrant Services. She has been given an opportunity to return to her hometown in Sudbury Ontario, and cannot pass up the opportunity to be closer to family.

“I am absolutely heartbroken to be leaving WIS, especially after such a short time, but COVID has made it clear to me that being close to family is a priority that I have to put first. WIS has an amazing team of dedicated staff that work hard everyday to better the lives of new comers to our community. I am grateful to have been given the opportunity to be a part of it.” Gasparini said. “Beyond leaving WIS, I too am very sad to be leaving Brandon. I have been made to feel so welcome here, and will always cherish the relationships and memories I have made. I will always consider this community my home away from home.”

“Carly Gasparini took the helm of this organization in the midst of the pandemic and led it through a period of immense uncertainty, managing crisis with aplomb,” says Steve Robinson, Chair of the Board of Directors at WIS. “We knew we had an able new Executive Director even before she began, and her concern for the whole team here at WIS – clients, staff and volunteers – has been evident from day one. I’m sure that her home community in Sudbury will be glad to have her back, now improved by the experience and learning that she takes with her from her time here in Brandon.”

WIS will begin the search to find a replacement for Gasparini immediately to ensure someone is in the role before her June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 departure. A full job posting will be found on their website and candidates are encouraged to submit their resumes and cover letters or any questions to [carlyg@westmanimmigrantservices.ca](mailto:carlyg@westmanimmigrantservices.ca).

“WIS is a vibrant and dynamic organization that is looking for an energetic, bold leader who wants to be part of something special. Immigration will be an important part of rebuilding our economies as we recover from this pandemic, and WIS is ready to provide leadership and assistance in ensuring successful transitions for all those who choose to make Brandon their home” concluded Gasparini who is excited to help find the next person to take on this challenge.

Gasparini will say her final goodbyes at the WIS’ AGM being held virtually on June 11<sup>th</sup>. WIS is currently also seeking 1 new board member. Applications for this can also be found on the website.