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## **TEACH FOR AMERICA STATEMENT ON ANGÉLICA INFANTE-GREEN'S APPOINTMENT AS RHODE ISLAND'S COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION**

**Providence, R.I., March 19, 2019**— Teach For America today released the following statement on the announcement of Angélica Infante-Green's appointment as Rhode Island's Commissioner of Education.

"Teach For America congratulates alumna Angélica Infante-Green (New York '94) on her recent appointment by Governor Gina Raimondo as the State of Rhode Island's Commissioner of Education.

From her time in the classroom as a member of the New York corps to various district leadership posts, Angélica has been a tireless champion for change in pursuit of educational equity for more than two decades. Her experience in leading pre-school through 12<sup>th</sup> grade instructional support for New York City's Department of Education – the largest school district in the nation – will undoubtedly inform her perspective as she works to take on Rhode Island's unique and complex issues around closing the opportunity gap for children in under-resourced communities in partnership with educators, families and community organizations.

This is a historical moment for the state of Rhode Island as Angélica is the first person of color to hold this seat. We look forward to welcoming Angélica to the Ocean State and partnering closely with her as she takes on this new role this spring."

### **About Teach For America**

Teach For America works in partnership with urban and rural communities in more than 50 regions across the country to expand educational opportunity for children. Founded in 1990, Teach For America recruits and develops a diverse corps of outstanding leaders to make an initial two-year commitment to teach in high-need schools and become lifelong leaders in the effort to end educational inequity. Today Teach For America is a force of nearly 60,000 alumni and corps members committed to profound systemic change. From classrooms to districts to state houses across America, they're reimagining education to realize the day when every child has an equal opportunity to learn, to grow, to influence and to lead. Teach For America is a proud member of the AmeriCorps national service network. For more information, visit [www.teachforamerica.org](http://www.teachforamerica.org) and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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