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Kim Polese appointed to Cultural Initiatives Silicon Valley Board of Directors

San José, CA – Cultural Initiatives Silicon Valley announced the addition of Kim Polese, chairman, chief strategy officer and co-founder of Marimba, Inc., to its Board of Directors. Ms. Polese served as president and chief executive officer of Marimba until July 2000. Prior to co-founding Marimba, Ms. Polese spent more than seven years at Sun Microsystems and was the original product manager for Java.

Ms. Polese has been named one of Time Magazine's Top 25 Most Influential People in America and one of Red Herring's Top 20 Entrepreneurs. The San Francisco Business Times voted her one of the Most Influential Businesswomen in the Bay Area.

She is a member of the Board of Directors of TechNet, a bipartisan coalition of digital-economy executives focused on strengthening America's leadership in the new economy. Ms. Polese is also on the board of Do Something, a national non-profit organization that inspires, trains, funds and mobilizes young people to become leaders in their communities. In addition, she has an extensive background in ballet, modern and jazz dance and is an active member of Palo Alto's Zohar Dance Company.

Cultural Initiatives Silicon Valley is a nonprofit organization formed in response to the research and planning efforts of over 1,000 committed community leaders, and dedicated to the development of a comprehensive plan for the cultural transformation of Silicon Valley.

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