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**Columbus, OH**—Run Down the Demons, a Columbus-based non-profit dedicated to ending the stigma of seeking mental health treatment in the military community, announced today three new board members. All three will help guide the organization through new growth and will assist with the expansion of veteran resources nationwide through their expertise and experience. Joining the Board will be Naomi Kayne PhD., Norm Bertke, and Sarah Cuppett. “We are excited to have Naomi, Norm, and Sarah join our operational board. Their expertise will help us step forward in the next phase of our organization.” said Brad Walent, Chair and President of RDtD. Executive Director, Colin Winter said, “Finding board members like these is critical. Naomi, Norm and Sarah have already shown they are willing to jump in and help out. We are excited to have them on our team!”

**Naomi Kayne PhD.**, a retired Clinical Psychologist, was in private practice in Columbus for over 20 years. She held adjunct faculty positions at The Ohio State University, where she supervised advanced clinical psychology doctoral students in clinical work, and Otterbein College, where she taught undergraduate psychology. Additionally, has worked extensively with NATAL: Israel Trauma Center for Victims of Terror and War. NATAL is the largest non-profit in Israel providing comprehensive trauma services including include direct service (outpatient, telephone counseling, mobile units), education (public and professional), training (first responders, military personnel) and research.

**Norm Bertke**, An accomplished real estate executive, Norm has over 20 years of success managing, acquiring, enhancing, and developing commercial real estate. Currently at CBRE, Norm is responsible for strategic direction of Property Management business. Norm was a Captain in and now is a Veteran of the United States Air Force.

**Sarah Cuppett**, currently at BDO, in Columbus OH, Sara is a recent alumnus from The Ohio State University. She has earned her bachelor’s degree in Accounting and she is currently in the process of obtaining her CPA.

**About Run Down the Demons:**

Run Down the Demons is a non-profit organization whose mission is to address issues surrounding suicides, post- traumatic stress disorder, and other mental health disorders related to veterans, active service members, and/or their family members by providing education, raising awareness and providing resources to those we serve.

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