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Deborah Rosati, an award-winning entrepreneur and corporate director, has been described in three interconnected ways over her 35-year career: as a champion of corporate governance, a catalyst for change, and a builder of community.

As the founder and CEO of Women Get On Board Inc. (WGOB), a social purpose company founded in 2015 with a bold vision to build a national movement, *Ten Years of Trailblazing: Amplifying Women's Voices, Transforming Boardrooms and Beyond*, our mission is to connect, promote, and empower women to serve on corporate boards with confidence and courage.

Deborah is proud to amplify the voices of women leaders, board members, and professionals across Canada through education, mentorship, and allyship. She believes in the power of three: one woman in the boardroom is a token, two are a presence, and three are a voice.

Deborah is a respected leader in the boardroom, having chaired boards and audit committees, as well as nominating and corporate governance committees, and having served as lead director of public companies. Additionally, Deborah has led and served on numerous special committees with mandates that include initial public offerings and private placements, mergers and acquisitions, restructuring, and special investigations.

Deborah's dedication to inclusive governance and board diversity stems from her experiences as often the only woman in the boardroom. These firsthand encounters have reinforced her belief that greater women's representation on boards leads to better business outcomes.

Constantly seeking improvement, Deborah aims to challenge expectations and drive positive change. She brings an environmental, social, and governance (ESG) perspective to every board she joins, believing in the power and responsibility of businesses to make the world a better place.

As innovative leaders, Deborah and her co-founders, Dr. Sherry Shannon Vanstone and Lara Zink, founded Women Funding Women Inc. (WFW) to address the funding gap facing women entrepreneurs.

Deborah's commitment to sustainable change and empowerment, together with her broad governance and financial expertise and engaging demeanour, have made her a sought-after thought leader and speaker. Her perspectives on corporate governance, sustainability, inclusion, and social impact are clearly presented on her website, deborahrosati.ca.