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WBCA CEO Beth Bass Statement on Resignation of Sue Donohoe as NCAA VP for DI Women's Basketball

ATLANTA (October 26, 2011) – "We are saddened by the announcement that Sue Donohoe is stepping down as NCAA Vice President for Division I Women's Basketball.

"Under Sue's leadership, collegiate women's basketball has enjoyed unprecedented growth. Her commitment to openness 'de-mystified' many NCAA processes and helped administrators, coaches and media alike gain a greater understanding of the NCAA's policies and procedures. Her positive impact on the entire culture of women's basketball – from USA Basketball, to playing rules, to mock bracketing, to the WBCA – is immeasurable.

"Sue has been an invaluable asset to the WBCA. Sue thought like a coach and was respected by the coaches. She served with distinction on the WBCA Board of Directors and was a tremendous advocate for the WBCA and its membership in the NCAA national office.

"I have spoken with (NCAA) President (Mark) Emmert and he assures me Sue's decision to step down is not a reflection on where our sport is. He remains steadfast in his commitment to promoting and growing women's basketball and I know he will replace Sue with an equally strong leader and advocate for our sport.

"For me, personally, Sue has been and will continue to be a great colleague and friend. It has been a delight to work with her. I wish her the best as she embarks on this new chapter in her life."

About the WBCA:

Founded in 1981, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association promotes women's basketball by unifying coaches at all levels to develop a reputable identity for the sport and to foster and promote the development of the game as a sport for women and girls. For additional information about the WBCA, please visit wbca.org.

[Link to NCAA Release of Donohoe's resignation.](#)