## Global Growers Network Announces New Executive Director, Susan Pavlin



ATLANTA, GA – Susan Pavlin will be the new Executive Director at Global Growers Network.

Susan is joining Global Growers Network on April 3, 2023, but she is not new to the mission and work of GGN. Susan is Co-Founder of the organization, and served as GGN's director during its early years before passing leadership to Co-Founder Robin Chanin. For the past 15 years, Susan has focused on building equitable regional food systems and mission-driven businesses. Additionally, she served as the Founding Director of Common Market Southeast, and also co-founded Taproot, a consulting company specialized in growing enterprise, equity, and community.

Susan is passionate about the communities that GGN works with, communities of international newcomers whose unique contributions to the local food system once inspired her and other leaders to create this organization. "I am thrilled to return to Global Growers," Susan says, "and find new ways to continue building a just, healthy food community together."

Susan brings deep experience and a passionate commitment to the organization. She is currently an advisor to the Reinvestment Fund's Healthy Food Financing Initiative, a member of the USDA Data Standardization Committee, and serves on the Board of Working Title Playwrights. Her past experiences and current expertise will be an asset to Global Growers Network, an organization that sees the potential of building sustainable food systems for unique and diverse communities who are raising the next generation of Americans.

"On behalf of the board of Global Growers Network, we are thrilled that Susan Pavlin will be returning to us as our new Executive Director. Susan is a Co-Founder of the organization, has served on its board for many years, and has remained actively engaged as we strive to fulfill our mission," states Randy Martin, Global Growers Network Board Chair. "We are deeply appreciative of Robin's leadership over the past many years, and glad that she will be remaining with the organization to support the launch of our newly acquired farm space in Rockdale

County. We will continue to grow as an organization under Susan's leadership and look forward to developing innovative solutions to meet the needs of our grower community."

"I hope to lead Global Growers in partnership with the amazing, diverse growers of Atlanta's international communities to produce good food, celebrate culture through agriculture, and build the local food economy," said Susan Pavlin.

Global Growers Network is a 501(c)(3) non-profit whose mission is to partner with people from diverse cultures to grow fresh food for their families and for local marketplaces. They build and sustain networks of growers, land, resources, and markets in order to create a more equitable food system that is driven by cultural diversity, inclusive economies, and regenerative agriculture practices.