

# Somali-American Presidential Appointee Hamse Warfa Announces Groundbreaking Book on Transformational Leadership

*Somali-American leader Hamse Warfa, a former refugee and presidential appointee, shares new transformational leadership framework in an upcoming book.*

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, US, June 13, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The seasoned global leader from Minnesota offers a new model of leadership with 12 practices for driving lasting change

From child refugee to U.S. presidential appointee with over 25 years of global leadership experience in federal and state governments, philanthropic organizations, nonprofits, and in the private sector, Hamse Warfa's life and career has navigated some astonishing

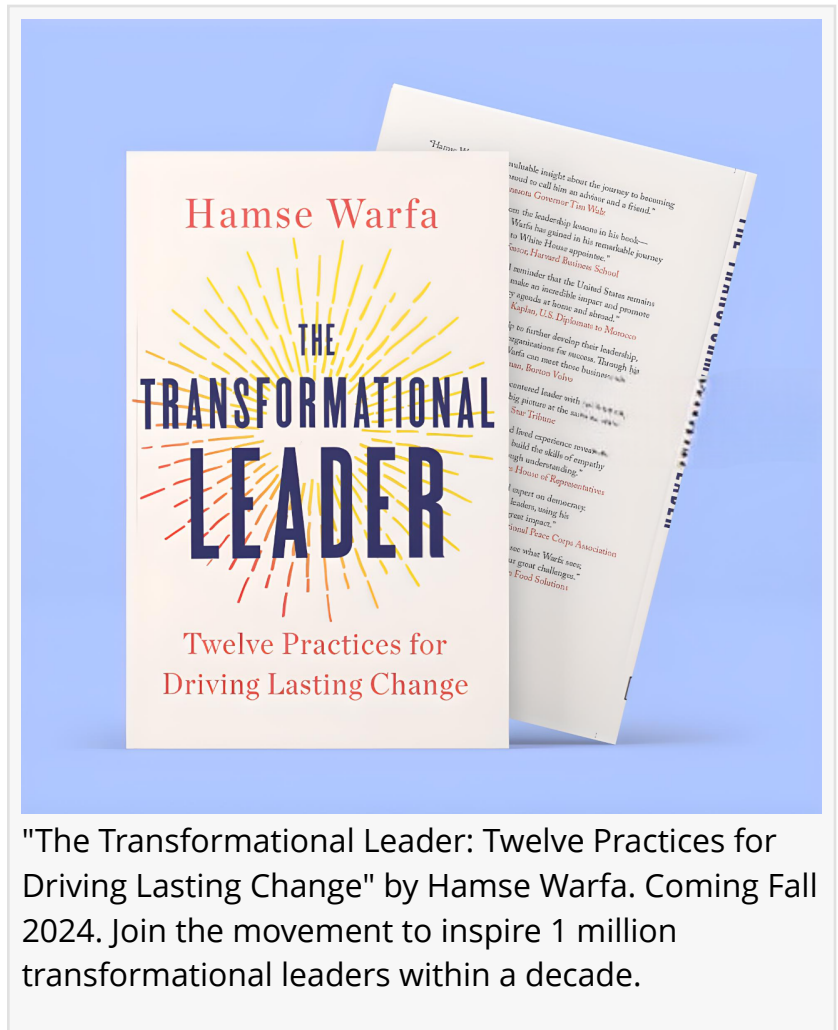
twists and turns. Now, he has developed a leadership framework to help guide and nurture the next generation of leaders to be purposeful, inclusive and innovative with the ambitious goal of impacting 1 million leaders within a decade.

Warfa was appointed by Minnesota Governor Tim Walz as Minnesota Department of Employment & Economic Development's (DEED) Deputy Commissioner in 2019. At that time, Warfa was the highest ranking Somali American official in the executive branch of state government. Minnesota Governor Tim Walz says of Warfa's leadership: "Hamse Warfa leads with integrity and passion – whether he's serving the people of Minnesota or working with the President to improve the lives of people across the country. Hamse offers invaluable insight about the journey to becoming a great leader. I'm proud to call him an advisor and a friend."

In January of 2022, Warfa left his position with the Walz administration when he was appointed



by President Biden as his senior advisor in the U.S. State Department to advance the president's democracy agenda at home and abroad including the 2023 Summit on Democracy supported by 74 nations. After receiving a State Department 2023 Meritorious Honor Award for innovation and advancing equity, Warfa recently took a leave from government service to focus on efforts to build a functioning and thriving society through leadership principles and practices he learned during his time in government and across sectors. Warfa's mission is to inspire a more prosperous world by guiding leaders to translate intangible organizational and societal challenges into tangible solutions. "My goal is to support and work with leaders who are committed to transforming our existing democratic and economic systems to achieve a more equitable and prosperous world," Warfa explains.



"The Transformational Leader: Twelve Practices for Driving Lasting Change" by Hamse Warfa. Coming Fall 2024. Join the movement to inspire 1 million transformational leaders within a decade.

Warfa's leadership in action has already gained praise from renowned leaders across multiple sectors. Harvard Business School professor Jan Rivkin explains, "Hamse Warfa is a rare individual

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who has led successfully in the private, public, and social sectors. He knows how to bring people together across sectors to tackle problems too tough for any one sector to solve on its own.”

Warfa's forthcoming book *The Transformational Leader: Twelve Practices for Driving Lasting Change* will be published by Wise Ink Media in Fall 2024. In the pages of *The Transformational Leader*, Warfa shares his lived experiences as a child refugee, senior leader in government, business and nonprofit founder, executive

and global thought leader. He calls on leadership principles to help readers learn from peace-building, democratic participation and the practice of vulnerability. The book focuses on actionable ways leaders can engage in the democratic process and shares inspiration that can be

used by families, neighborhoods and communities. The book is a call to activate emerging and current leaders to focus on building safe, dynamic and inclusive teams that are equipped to achieve asset-based innovation for greater impact.

Dr. Rivken continues about Warfa, "All of us can learn from the leadership lessons in his book—a distillation of the wisdom Warfa has gained in his remarkable journey from refugee to White House appointee."

Warfa has set the ambitious goal of creating a movement that impacts 1 million transformational leaders within a decade. The release of this book is one of the most important steps toward creating this movement, but he plans to follow up with additional innovative strategies and activities to bring more leaders on board. These include partnerships, transformational leadership training, retreats, educational curriculum and a documentary that inspires action to create welcoming communities. Undertaking this task entirely on his own highlights the depth of commitment he feels to ensuring transformational leadership takes root across the globe.

"I am blessed by the fact that my leadership experience has allowed me to create this leadership framework to positively impact society," says Warfa, "and if you also want to meaningfully tackle today's organizational and societal challenges with transformational leadership practices that serve the greater good, this leadership model and book is for you."

The Transformational Leader will be available in hardcover, ebook and audiobook. Please sign up to Hamse's leadership newsletter at <http://eepurl.com/ijUQxE> for additional information about pre-orders of the book.

About Hamse Warfa:

Hamse Warfa, a former child refugee turned U.S. presidential appointee, has over 25 years of global experience across various sectors. His mission is to inspire leaders to translate challenges into tangible solutions and impact through leadership strategy, training, and innovative technology tools. In January 2022, Warfa was appointed as a senior advisor to the U.S. State Department to advance a global democracy agenda, receiving a State Department 2023 Meritorious Honor Award for innovation and advancing equity.

Prior to joining the federal government, Warfa served as the Deputy Commissioner for Workforce Development in Minnesota. He is also a successful tech entrepreneur, co-founding BanQu Inc. and Tayo Consulting Group, and previously worked as a senior program officer at the Margaret A. Cargill Foundation.

Warfa holds a Masters from Springfield College and a Bachelor's from San Diego University. He completed executive education at Harvard Business School and is a Bush Foundation Leadership Fellow, recipient of the Minnesota Statewide Facing Race Award, and an Ashoka Global Fellow. Warfa is the author of "The Transformational Leader: Twelve Practices for Driving Lasting Change" and "America Here I Come: A Somali Refugee's Quest for Hope."

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