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Prior to this good work, Mo held progressive, senior-level roles at the University of Northern Iowa. During a seventeen-year tenure, she led technology transfer, the SBDC, two business incubators and the launch of multiple award-winning technologies serving entrepreneurs, several of which were scaled and licensed. She built the Iowa Annual Survey of Small Business and Entrepreneurs and co-authored multiple peer-reviewed publications and white papers based upon those findings.

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