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Originally from Chile, Carolina immigrated to the United States 27 years ago and has dedicated her career to early childhood education, leadership, and advocacy. With nearly three decades of experience, she has elevated child care issues at the local, state, and national levels through congressional briefings, policy roundtables, and national advocacy initiatives, including Child Care Aware of America's StoryCorps project with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

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