## THOMAS KEPLAR

## CHAIRPERSON, GLOBAL YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Thomas's professional experience has been garnered by working and traveling the globe extensively for four decades. A decorated military veteran from the 1991 Gulf War who did military-technical support work for the American Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and National Security Agency (NSA). First granted security clearance in 1978 by the United States Government with the last security clearance expired in June 2017 from the Australian Government. Trust was placed to access classified information from the US Government and the Australian Government for 26 years. Thomas worked at nearly every level of business from large corporate structures down to small business and small operations with as few as two people involved has served to develop strategic sensibilities, strong leadership, analytical and decision-making capabilities.

His specialty has been leading and working with small teams that face tough problems requiring timely solutions. With sole responsibility and accountability, Thomas's teams nearly always got the work done, on time and on budget.

Thomas is a current/past Non-Executive Director on five (5) Not-For-Profit (NFP) organisational Board of Directors (or equivalent).