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Karandeep Anand is Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of The Walt Disney Company. Anand oversees enterprise technology, infrastructure, data and AI platforms, product, and engineering, working across the company's business segments to further modernize how Disney builds and delivers technology. A member of Disney's senior leadership team reporting directly to Chief Executive Officer Josh D'Amaro, Anand plays a key role in creating a more connected digital Disney experience that deepens the company's direct relationship with fans.

As a consumer technology and AI executive, Anand has shaped products and platforms used by billions of people around the world. Most recently, he served as Chief Executive Officer of Character.AI, where he led the company through a period of explosive growth. Under his leadership, the company built one of the most engaged consumer-AI audiences in the world while also making user trust and safety a priority.

Prior to Character.AI, Anand was President and Chief Product Officer of the financial technology company Brex. During his tenure, he was instrumental in the development and launch of Brex's flagship AI product. He previously served in several leadership roles at Meta, most recently as Vice President of Ads & Business Products. Earlier in his career, Anand spent 15 years at Microsoft in senior product and engineering leadership roles, where he was part of the team that built the Azure platform.

Anand holds a Computer Science degree from the International Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad.