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## RAYMOND T. HUNTER APPOINTED AS DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES AND MICHAEL KERR APPOINTED AS DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND CIO

**FRESNO, CA** – Today, the Board of Supervisors confirmed the appointment of Raymond T. Hunter as the Director of General Services and Michael Kerr as the Director of Information Technology Services Department and Chief Information Officer.

After the reorganization of the Internal Services Department into two departments (General Services and Information Technology Services), the County conducted a robust and thorough recruitment for these critical leadership positions.

**Raymond Hunter** was the Chief of Real Estate, Contracts and Logistics at the Los Angeles Department of Social Services (DPSS), overseeing 100 staff members and developing approximately 200 agreements exceeding \$600 million annually for almost 40 different departments. He was instrumental in implementing high-impact contracts such as the \$15.5 million annual agreement with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority and successfully navigated the development of multiple critical services.

Hunter brings over two decades of leadership and expertise and has been an active member of the National Contract Management Association and

a part-time Human Resource Management Professor at Santa Monica Community College.

His education includes a Master of Science in Human Resource Management, a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, and a Workers Compensation Certificate. Mr. Hunter will begin as the Director of General Services effective March 31, 2025.

**Michael Kerr** was the Deputy Chief Information Officer for Criminal Justice for the County of Ventura. Prior to that role, he spent 19 years in various Information Technology (IT) leadership roles at the County of Orange.

As the Deputy Chief Information Officer, he has extensive expertise in managing a county's information (IT) infrastructure and overseeing a data center and the operation of over 40,000 assets. He led a successful project that enabled police agencies to electronically submit data and reports to the District Attorney's Office; two other counties replicated the project. He also spearheaded a \$44 million initiative to upgrade aging criminal justice systems as well as that of servers, networks, and desktop equipment.

Kerr holds a Master of Science in Public Administration and Information Management from the University of Southern California, a Master of Business Administration from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, and has maintained his Project Management Professional (PMP) certification since 2001.

He will begin as the Director of Information Technology Services Department and Chief Information Officer effective March 31, 2025.

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