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BOARD APPOINTS NEW INTERIM CEO

San Bernardino, CA -- Following their closed session deliberations, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors appointed Dena Smith, current County Chief Operating Officer to serve as the Interim Chief Executive Officer.

San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors convened early Tuesday morning to select an interim Chief Executive to fill retiring CEO Greg Devereaux's position. Today's highly anticipated announcement clarified the board's intention regarding who will fill the position of top executive. Supervisors specified it is their intention to begin a nationwide search for the next Chief Executive Officer shortly.

Vice Chairman Hagman commented, "Dena Smith has faithfully served this County in her capacity as COO. She has taken the lead on a number of issues and I am confident that she will be a strong leader through the transition."

Hagman continued, "I am looking forward to working with Dena on a number of issues facing San Bernardino County, specifically continuing to prioritize economic growth, workforce development and attracting good paying jobs to our County."

Details surrounding the search for the next County Executive Officer are forthcoming. Vice Chairman Hagman indicated that the unique needs of the County and its residents will play a key role in the selection of the next CEO. Applications from internal and external candidates are welcome.

Supervisor Hagman was elected to represent the Fourth District on the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors in November 2014. He currently serves as the Vice Chairman of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors. Prior to his service in the County of San Bernardino, he represented California's 55th Assembly District in the State Legislature. Hagman is also a proud member of the California State Military Reserve.

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