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DCFS STATEMENT ON RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR BOBBY CAGLE

Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Director Bobby Cagle submitted a letter of resignation Nov. 23 notifying the Board of Supervisors of his intent to leave DCFS effective Dec. 31. After 33 years of government service, Director Cagle will be leaving the department to pursue a second career in the private sector.

“It has been an honor to lead this important work and serve alongside all of you, the thousands of committed child welfare staff in LA County DCFS,” Director Cagle wrote in an email to staff members.

“As always, I want to thank each and every one of you for your tireless efforts to protect children and strengthen families,” he added.

Director Cagle will be temporarily succeeded by Ginger Pryor as acting director. Ms. Pryor has nearly 30 years of child welfare experience in front-line case management, consulted with nearly 50 child welfare jurisdictions across the country with Casey Family Programs and in private practice, and has previously served as the director for the Georgia Division of Family and Children Services.

To assist Ms. Pryor during this transition, Dawna Yokoyama, a retired DCFS deputy director with 37 years of experience, will return as interim chief deputy director.

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About the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)

The Los Angeles Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) promotes child safety and well-being by partnering with communities to strengthen families, keeping children at home whenever possible, and connecting them with stable, loving homes in times of need. As the largest child protective services agency in the nation, DCFS is responsible for ensuring the safety of more than two million children across 88 diverse cities in Los Angeles County. Established in 1984 to keep children safe and support families in crisis, it is one of the 35 Los Angeles County Departments governed by the five-member Board of Supervisors with nearly 9,000 staff across 20 regional offices, specialized bureaus, and administration that cover a broad array of services and programs. The department is led by Director Bobby D. Cagle.

“To Enrich Lives Through Effective and Caring Service”