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Kent Raymond named Warden of Kent County Community Corrections

Dover, DE – The Delaware Department of Correction (DOC) announced today that Kent County Community Corrections Deputy Warden Kent Raymond has been promoted to Warden of Kent County Community Corrections (KCCC). KCCC operates the Community Corrections Treatment Center (CCTC), the statewide treatment facility for inmates sentenced to Level IV substance use disorder treatment, as well as all Kent County Level IV community work crews. Warden Raymond's promotion took effect on September 25.

"Warden Raymond is a proven leader who for three decades has played a key role in building our Kent County Community Corrections team and establishing our world-class Community Corrections Treatment Center", **Acting Chief of Community Corrections Heidi Collier said.** "He understands the specialized treatment and rehabilitation programs at the core of Kent County Community Corrections and the instrumental role it plays in driving reentry success and contributing to our public safety mission."

Warden Raymond has served his entire 31-year DOC career for Kent County Community Corrections (KCCC). He joined KCCC in 1991 as a Senior Correctional Counselor with responsibility over a caseload of nearly 100 inmates. In that position he was recognized with increasing levels of responsibility, including chairing his facility's Multi-Disciplinary Team and handling all offender classification reviews, recommendations for treatment programs and work release, and institutional job and community work program assignments. He assisted in developing treatment programs, monitored the furlough program, and coordinated the development of the DUI Pre-Release Program. In 1999 he was promoted to Correctional Counselor Supervisor where he played a leading role in transitioning the Morris Community Corrections Facility from a Level V prison to a Level IV work release and substance abuse treatment facility. In that position he trained treatment staff, developed policies and procedures, and created the facility's offender Orientation Manual and Treatment Pass Program. He supervised treatment staff and the Community Work Program Coordinators, conducted disciplinary investigations, and served on Department-wide committees for reentry, GPS monitoring, and the DOC's DACS offender database system. In 2011 he was further

promoted to Deputy Warden of Kent County Community Corrections where he has served as second in command of operations for the Bureau of Community Corrections across Kent County. During a three month period as Acting Warden of KCCC he was responsible for closing the Morris Community Corrections Center in Dover and opening the Community Corrections Treatment Center in Smyrna. As Deputy Warden he has been responsible for staff supervision, treatment programming, safety, equipment, and business office functions. He has served as American Correctional Association Compliance Manager and has been responsible for conducting annual policy reviews.

The Community Corrections Treatment Center (CCTC), which opened in December 2020, <u>administers DOC's "Road 2 Recovery" Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment program, which was redesigned in 2020 and consolidated for Level IV male offenders statewide at one site to standardize program delivery, consolidate treatment staff, and modernize outdated treatment practices. The CCTC reflects a residential treatment format that offers a mixture of programming and treatment space, staff work and meeting spaces in an open design that is conducive to DOC's SUD cognitive community requirements.</u>

Warden Raymond earned a Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Sociology. He has completed specialized correctional training programs, including the National Institution of Corrections Management Development for the Future and Blended Correctional Leadership Development programs, and Frontline Leadership and Hostage Negotiation courses.

Raymond succeeds Warden <u>Scott Ceresini who in June was named Warden of Sussex Correctional</u> <u>Institution</u>.

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