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Secretary Timberlake Announces Mark Thomas as New Deputy Secretary

Today, Department of Health Services Secretary Karen Timberlake announced the appointment of Mark Thomas as Deputy Secretary. Thomas begins his new role September 15, 2008.

“I am very pleased that Mark Thomas will be joining the Department of Health Services,” said Secretary Timberlake. “Mark brings extensive management experience in a variety of settings, and a passion for the work of this department and the people we serve. Mark’s experience and his commitment to delivering the best in health and human services programs will be tremendous assets to the Department.”

“I am very excited to be joining the team,” Thomas said. “I look forward to working with knowledgeable professionals who are dedicated to providing high quality services to our citizens each and everyday. It will be my honor to serve the residents of the State of Wisconsin.”

Thomas has most recently served as the Executive Director of Camp Whitcomb/Mason, owned and operated by the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee. Thomas previously served as chief operating officer of Family House, a central-Milwaukee residential facility serving individuals 55 and older and people with disabilities.

Prior to that, Thomas spent 28 years with the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel including 13 years in management roles. Thomas served as Senior Vice President of Circulation where he provided leadership to the distribution, operations and marketing departments and as Vice President of Circulation Marketing. In these positions, he was a member of the executive committee that planned and executed the merger of the Milwaukee Journal and Milwaukee Sentinel as well as worked to establish delivery partnerships with The Wall Street Journal, New York Times and key magazine publishers, generating over \$2 million in new revenue.

Mark has been recognized as one of Presstime Magazine’s “20 Under 40” and received the Milwaukee Times “Black Excellence” Award in 1997.

Thomas replaces the role previously filled by Karen Timberlake, who was appointed as Secretary in April 2008.

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