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RETIRING DEPARTMENT HEADS TO BE HONORED

On Tuesday, Dec. 10, the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors will honor two retiring staff members serving in key leadership positions.

County Counsel Dana McRae is retiring after 22 years of service to the residents of Santa Cruz County, including 18 in her current position. McRae is renowned in the local community for her leadership, service and dedication, having provided wise counsel to the Board of Supervisors, as well as guiding the County through the establishment of numerous local ordinances that became models for statewide change and litigation seeking to positively impact the lives of all residents, both in Santa Cruz County and beyond.

Human Services Director Ellen Timberlake is retiring after 25 years of service to the residents of Santa Cruz County, including three in her current position. Timberlake is a passionate statewide leader on issues impacting the most vulnerable residents, with one-third of County residents receiving services through the Human Services Department. Among her many accomplishments is reworking community program funding to be more evidence-based, implementation of the Thrive by Three program and more.

WHAT: Ceremony Honoring Dana McRae and Ellen Timberlake

WHEN: Tuesday, Dec. 10, 9 a.m.

WHERE: Board of Supervisors Meeting, 701 Ocean St. (5th Floor), Santa Cruz.