

DATE: May 2, 2012

TO: The Honorable Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chris Abele, County Executive

SUBJECT: Appointment of Kerry Mitchell

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Sec. 59.17(2), Milwaukee County General Ordinance 17.30(2) and subject to confirmation of your Honorable Body, I am pleased to reappoint Ms. Kerry Mitchell to the position of Director of the Department of Human Resources for Milwaukee County.

The Human Resources Department is in the midst of repositioning itself to be an asset to Departments and employees alike. To become a sought-after employer we need a strong human resources leader. Ms. Mitchell has the professionalism, experience, temperament and sensitivity to guide us through this transition. Additionally, she has brought a refreshing vision to how we engage and respect our employees and recruit new talent.

Ms. Mitchell has worked in a number of senior-level human resources positions over 19 years at U.S. Bank and its predecessor companies, managing human resources teams and supporting up to 5,000 employees in corporate divisions across 29 states. In addition to the numerous human resources initiatives she has led, Ms. Mitchell has designed and launched several transformational talent and workflow redesigns allowing the U.S. Bank department to be more efficient, and driven by high quality and customer service. Ms. Mitchell has a master's degree in management and organizational behavior.

I have every confidence that Ms. Mitchell will bring to the Department of Human Resources the leadership and vision needed for Milwaukee County. I urge you to give this appointment your favorable consideration.

Chris Abele

Milwaukee County Executive

Attachment

Cc: Supervisor David Cullen, Chair, Personnel Committee

Kelly Bablitch, Chief of Staff Steve Cady, Research Analyst Jodi Mapp, Committee Clerk

Kerry Mitchell