

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Milwaukee County

CHRIS ABELE . COUNTY EXECUTIVE

DATE:

January 5, 2015

TO:

Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Chris Abele, County Executive

SUBJECT:

Appointment of Christine Westrich

Pursuant to Sec. 323.14(1)(a)2 Wis. Stats, and subject to confirmation by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, I am pleased to appoint Ms. Christine Westrich to the position of Director of the Office of Emergency Management.

Ms. Westrich was most recently a Community Resources & Continuity Coordinator with Milwaukee County Emergency Management where she focused her efforts on the growth of Emergency Planning and county-wide on Continuity Operations, Mass Fatality and Emergency Action.

Ms. Westrich holds Naval Flight Officer Wings, Pensacola Naval Air Station, FL, and a BS (Ocean Engineering), U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD. Ms. Westrich has served as Director of Operations in White House Military Office as the lead liaison to the President's Military Aides. Ms. Westrich also served in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, as a C.A.C.I. Operations Specialist working with FEMA's Mount Weather Emergency Operation's Center.

Ms. Westrich will be in charge of assembling and leading a critical new department – the Office of Emergency Management. I have every confidence that Ms. Westrich will provide the leadership and vision needed for Milwaukee County and the new department. I urge you to give this appointment your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

Chris Abele

Milwaukee County Executive

Attachment

Cc:

County Board of Supervisors

Kelly Bablitch, Chief of Staff, Board of Supervisors