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New Chief Executive Officer at Networks Northwest

TRAVERSE CITY, MI – The Networks Northwest Board has approved the hiring of Janie McNabb as the new Chief Executive Officer at Networks Northwest. The board met February 29 and voted to accept the recommendation of the Networks Northwest Executive Committee that McNabb be hired for the leadership position at the organization which provides workforce, business, and community development services in the 10 counties of northwest Lower Michigan. McNabb has accepted the position.

"We are excited to have Janie rejoin Networks Northwest as the next CEO," said Nicole Sulak, Chair of the Networks Northwest Board. "She has the previous experience with the organization and strategic vision to lead Networks Northwest and the region forward."

McNabb comes to Networks Northwest from serving as a workforce and strategy consultant around the state, primarily in affiliation with Strategic Policy Consultants. Prior to that, she spent 18 years in various roles at Networks Northwest, including Northwest Michigan Works! Chief Operating Officer. McNabb's diverse experience includes workforce programs and policy, organizational culture, communications, and public relations. She holds a Master of Arts in Organizational Development and a Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature.

"I am honored to have been chosen and to serve as the next Chief Executive Officer of Networks Northwest," said McNabb. "I am eager to engage with partners and the community to connect people with the high-quality and much-needed programming that Networks Northwest provides."

McNabb is scheduled to begin working as CEO on March 11. She replaces former Networks Northwest CEO, Terry Vandercook.

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