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Networks Northwest Executive Committee Selects New Chief Executive Officer

TRAVERSE CITY, MI – The Networks Northwest Executive Committee has unanimously endorsed a candidate to be the new Chief Executive Officer at Networks Northwest. The committee is recommending that the full Networks Board approve the hiring of Terry Vandercook for the leadership position at the organization which provides workforce, business, and community development services in the 10 counties of northwest Lower Michigan. Vandercook has accepted the position pending a vote by the full board later this month.

Vandercook served as Chief Program Officer at Networks Northwest until February of 2022 before leaving for a position with a northern Michigan company that helps agricultural businesses meet their workforce needs. Prior to his past position at Networks Northwest, Vandercook was a Business Development Manager for the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. He also had a 20-year career in the United States Air Force.

Vandercook is tentatively scheduled to begin working as CEO on September 26. He replaces former Networks Northwest CEO, Matt McCauley, who left the organization for a position with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

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Center, various business services, and many different regional planning initiatives in response to our communities' requests and needs. You will see the broad spectrum of workforce, business and community services Networks Northwest offers if you visit our website, networksnorthwest.org. Networks Northwest's member counties are: Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford.