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Health Director Selection Ratified By Davis County Commission

(Farmington, Utah) – The Davis County Commission announced ratification of the Davis County Board of Health’s selection of Brian Hatch as the new Director of the Davis County Health Department, effective April 19, 2016.

The Board of Health is the governing body of the county health department which includes the recruitment and hiring of the Director’s position. The Board of Health’s hiring committee was convened to hire a new Director in conjunction with the Davis County Board of Commissioners following the retirement of Lewis Garrett in early December 2015.

Brian Hatch served as the Interim Director since mid-November 2015. Prior to filling that position he was the Deputy Director for the previous three years and led the department’s extensive efforts preparing for national public health accreditation. Before that, he served as the Communicable Disease & Epidemiology Division Director, as the department’s Epidemiologist, and as an Environmental Health Scientist during his 20 years with the county health department.

According to Scott Zigich, Chairman of the Davis County Board of Health, “The board’s hiring committee looked at the credentials of several well-qualified candidates and we narrowed down that group to a few individuals for interviews. It became very evident that Brian understands the public health needs of our local communities. We’re extremely happy that he accepted the position.”

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“We foresee the excellent work that the Davis County Health Department staff carries on for our county’s citizens will continue without any interruption,” Zigich said.

Davis County Commissioner Jim Smith said, “As a Board of Health member and a County Commissioner, I have total confidence this decision to hire Brian as the director will serve our communities well.”

“He comes into this position well prepared. I look forward to him continuing to build on the success that our nationally accredited health department demonstrates every day,” said Smith.

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