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Ted Brady Selected as VLCT Executive Director

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Montpelier, VT—The Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) announced today that its Board of Directors has appointed Edward M. (Ted) Brady as the League's new executive director. Brady, who currently serves as Deputy Secretary of the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development, will assume his new responsibilities in early April.

"On behalf of our Board of Directors, I congratulate Ted Brady on his selection after a rigorous search process," said VLCT President Miro Weinberger, Mayor of Burlington. "We selected Ted because of his public management experience, his broad public policy knowledge, and his demonstrated ability to work with leaders across Vermont and in the state and federal governments to help improve our communities. I have been particularly impressed by Ted's skill and leadership assisting local governments throughout the pandemic, and his productive work for and with elected officials in different political parties. It is clear from our discussions and the comments of others that he will uphold our League's high ethical standards."

"I am honored to have the opportunity to represent and serve the most dedicated, patriotic, and creative people in Vermont — those who make our cities, towns, and

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villages run," said Brady. "Our local governments and the people who lead them define our state and make it unique. I look forward to working with Vermont's community leaders and the League staff to navigate the pandemic recovery and help our communities thrive."

"Ted has been a champion for Vermont's communities throughout his career," said Governor Phil Scott. "He's been at the forefront of our efforts to revitalize downtowns and village centers, secured federal and state funding to help communities identify priorities and address them, and has been an invaluable resource to local leaders in every corner of the state. We're definitely going to miss him, but the League will be well served by his experience and commitment."

Ted Brady has served in his current Deputy Secretary role since 2017. Previously (2013-2017), he worked with communities across two states as Rural Development State Director for Vermont and New Hampshire, U.S. Department of Agriculture. From 2000 to 2013, he worked in the Office of U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy.

Brady earned a bachelor's degree in political science and journalism from Saint Michael's College in Colchester. His wife Erin Brady currently serves as a member of the Vermont House of Representatives and the Champlain Valley School District Board. She is a nationally recognized high school teacher and also is an adjunct instructor in the Graduate Education Department at Saint Michael's College. They live with their two sons in Williston.

The League Board of Directors, made up of 13 members elected by the membership, considered finalists recommended by a six-member search committee after a national search conducted with the assistance of a public sector executive search and consulting firm. The League received 38 applications from 15 states. The Search Committee considered many well qualified candidates and deliberated carefully.

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Brady will be the fourth VLCT Executive Director, succeeding Maura Carroll upon her retirement. “Maura came to VLCT with a wealth of experience as a lawyer, municipal elected official and state legislator, and service as a legislative advocate and executive director of the New Hampshire Municipal Association,” said Mayor Weinberger. “We thank Maura for her dedicated public service to our communities and wish her well in her retirement.”

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