

# Proclamation

WHEREAS, Brian has provided dedicated service to Ramsey County residents for over 30 years in a variety of roles, ranging from frontline, resident-facing work to leading larger initiatives, serving as interim program administrator, and offering extensive insight into county processes and systems to better support those in need, all while maintaining an uplifting spirit and bringing joy to his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Brian answered the call to serve individuals experiencing mental health needs by providing outpatient therapy at the Mental Health Center in St. Paul and later transitioned to the Assertive Community Treatment team, where he supported individuals requiring intensive, personalized community-based care to help them strive and achieve an enhanced quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Brian stepped into a supervisory role at Ramsey County Adult Urgent Care to share his expertise in mental health care through a 24-hour crisis response model, building out both the services provide and the physical location at the 402 University site making services more accessible for clients, further showing how to meet residents where they are at-in the community or onsite; and

WHEREAS, Brian most recently served as the Permanency Support Manager in Children and Family Services, providing support to supervisors, staff, families, and providers across foster care, licensure, adoption, and childcare licensing processes, and leading with compassion, advocacy, and most importantly heart; and

WHEREAS, Brian provided leadership in advancing key initiatives within Ramsey County Social Services, including the Human Rights Campaign Certification, the Quality Parenting Initiative, the development of the co-response crisis model, the establishment of Employee Resource Groups and the Social Services Race Equity Leadership Group, and efforts to increase foster homes tailored to meet the needs of LGBTQ youth (Safe Places); and

WHEREAS, Brian chooses to model the mission and values of Ramsey County each day both professionally and in his personal life; and

WHEREAS, Brian will now find himself in the morning listening to the birds sing as he sips his coffee on the porch, enjoying gardening in the afternoon, and his evenings out with friends at his favorite local restaurant Lynnette; and


WHEREAS, Brian will spend time traveling with friends and family both domestically-to ride go karts in Santa Claus, Indiana, internationally in Paris to keep his French language skills up to date, and Croatia to keep his legs young by bicycling up and down the Croatian coast; Now, Therefore, Be It

PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners, do hereby honor and celebrate the retirement of Brian Theine, expressing the sincerest gratitude for three decades of exceptional service supporting individuals, staff, providers and families, and extend our best wishes for a joyful retirement filled with peace, happiness, and the flakiest French croissants.

  
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