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## Maryland Department of Information Technology Announces Two Key Leadership Hires

**Crownsville, MD** - The Maryland Department of Information Technology (DoIT) is proud to announce **Eric Bathras** returning to DoIT as the **Deputy Chief Technology Officer of Infrastructure**. Eric brings over three decades of expertise in public and private sector broadband networks. Eric will oversee key programs including networkMaryland, MarylandFirst, Cloud Services and Managed LAN, bolstering DoIT's infrastructure teams with his historical knowledge and wealth of experience.



“Eric has the leadership, subject matter expertise and vision to direct our network assets. Managed by DoIT, Maryland is one of the only states managing broadband and radio networks,” said Secretary Katie Savage. “In addition to ensuring coverage for state organizations and critical users like first responders, I want to optimize for community-centered goals like digital equity.”

Before rejoining DoIT, Eric served as the Global Broadband Practice Leader for AECOM, where he led local, national and global broadband expansions. Previously, as the Director of Network Operations for networkMaryland, Eric played a pivotal role in the successful operation of its wide area network, managing LAN and data center connectivity. Throughout his career, Eric has led cross-functional and cross-jurisdictional teams, championing sound planning and project delivery across a wide range of complex technology initiatives.

The Department is also happy to announce **David Holmes** joining DoIT as **Maryland's first Director of Engineering in the Maryland Digital Service**. Mr. Holmes has over a

decade of experience in the IT industry and will be focused on enhancing state government services through innovative technology solutions.



Prior to joining the State, Mr. Holmes started as an Engineering Manager at Rebellion Defense and was later promoted to Director of Engineering, playing a pivotal role during the company’s growth phase and its rise to a billion-dollar national defense startup. He also served at the United States Digital Service at the White House from 2016 to 2020, working on transformative projects across several federal agencies and eventually leading their engineering community of practice. Notably, David was the official Technical Lead for the Biden-Harris administration transition team for the Social Security Administration, guiding critical technological strategies and implementations.

“David is a remarkable engineer who continues to find ways to serve our country. We need his leadership in Maryland to assess our current software and systems, and direct our journey to a modern technical stack across the State. His expertise will guide the State towards more effective and efficient use of technical resources, including capital and talent ” said Secretary Katie Savage.