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Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader:

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Joe Amiotte to serve as the Director of the Great Plains Area Indian Health Service (IHS). Mr. Amiotte is an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

As Director of the Great Plains Area IHS, Mr. Amiotte is responsible for overseeing comprehensive health care and environmental health services for American Indians and Alaska Natives throughout Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, and North Dakota. With 17 Tribes and an estimated patient population of approximately 130,000, the Great Plains Area IHS delivers health services through 19 Service Units, which include seven hospitals, eight health centers, and several smaller health stations and satellite clinics.

Mr. Amiotte has more than 23 years of experience working with Federal agencies, Tribes, and local governments. He began his IHS career as a Supervisory Sanitarian, and then served as the Director of the Billings Area Office of Environmental Health and Engineering. Later, he served as the Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the Wind River Service Unit in the Billings Area IHS, and subsequently as the CEO for the Rapid City Service Unit in the Great Plains Area IHS. Mr. Amiotte previously served the Great Plains Area IHS from July 2019 to November 2022, as the Director for Field Operations, and from November 2022 to June 2, 2023, as the Acting Director.

Mr. Amiotte holds a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Black Hills State University and a Master of Science degree in environmental health from East Carolina University.

I also want to thank CAPT Brent Rohlf for his leadership in serving as the Acting Director of the Great Plains Area IHS.

Please join me in welcoming Mr. Amiotte as the Director of the Great Plains Area IHS.

Sincerely,

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