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**SEDGWICK COUNTY MANAGER ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT**

(Sedgwick County, Kan.) – Sedgwick County Manager Bill Buchanan announced today that he would be retiring on July 1, 2015. His last day at Sedgwick County will be June 15, 2015.

Buchanan has served as Sedgwick County Manager since March 1991. Previously, he was City Manager in Jackson, MI (1985-1991) and Franklin, PA (1975-1985), and Village Manager in Liberty, NY (1971-1975).

“Today, I informed the County Commission and the employees of Sedgwick County of my plans to retire,” Buchanan said. “My wife and I have been thinking, talking and praying about this for several months. We are fortunate to both have good health and now we wish to spend the next phase of our lives with our children and granddaughters in Philadelphia, Omaha and Tucson. It was a thrill for me to come to Sedgwick County in 1991. I have had 24 wonderful years working with dedicated public servants, always striving to deliver quality public services. Next year, I will be 70 and will have more than 47 years in my public service career.”

“Sedgwick County and our community have benefitted greatly from Bill’s leadership,” said Sedgwick County Commission Chairman Dave Unruh. “He has encouraged the highest level of professionalism and public service for our employees. We can look all around the organization and the community and clearly see ways that he has helped make us better. We are always saddened when we lose a trusted member of our team, but we certainly understand his desire to spend more time with his family, after a long career in public service,” Unruh said.

Discussions regarding the process of recruiting the next County Manager will take place at a future date.

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