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To New DHS Employees:

Welcome to the Department of Human Services (DHS). You are joining one of the largest executive branch agencies in the state of Georgia with over 8,400 employees dedicated to improving and protecting the lives of children and families. DHS employees work in every county of the state to administer human services benefits, to promote child welfare, to protect the aging and elderly, to serve parents and children who rely on and need child support payments, and to regulate homes and facilities that serve children who are not in a permanent home environment.

The work performed by DHS employees in all of these areas is difficult and stressful at times. All state employees work extremely hard in a period of limited resources. DHS employees are committed to the work, to each other, and to the people we serve. We are gratified you have chosen to join this excellent workforce. You will be challenged but you will see first hand how you can help improve the lives of your fellow citizens.

My job as Commissioner is to create an environment and infrastructure that supports the work you have come on board to do. I seek to unify the agency across all its programs and offices so that we move forward with a common purpose to serve those the law requires us to help. I am committed to DHS being an agency that implements the vision of the Governor, works well with other state agencies, and is open and responsive to state and federal legislators.

We have a first class human resources office with staff ready and able to assist you in getting started and developing your skills to maximize your value to the agency and your career. I also encourage you to become familiar with our policies and procedures.

Once again, welcome to DHS. We are glad to have you as a part of our team.

Sincerely,

Clyde L. Reese, III

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