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REVISED: This version reflects a *time change* for the retirement ceremony for Commissioner Frank Weddig. The ceremony will be held at 3:30 p.m., Jan. 3.

Arapahoe County Commissioner Frank Weddig to retire from office

A public reception to recognize Weddig for his service will be held Jan. 3, 2012

LITTLETON, CO --- After 30 years of public service, including the last seven years serving Arapahoe County, Commissioner Frank Weddig will retire on Jan. 3, 2012.

Weddig, who represents District 5, which is made up primarily of the City of Aurora and most recently the City of Glendale, announced Nov. 11 that he is stepping down to spend more time with his family. He is serving his second term as Arapahoe County Commissioner, which expires Jan. 8, 2013. He has served as Arapahoe County Commissioner since Jan. 11, 2005.

"I've dedicated the last 30 years to serving City of Aurora and Arapahoe County, but it is time to move on," said Weddig. "I appreciate the opportunity the citizens have given me throughout my public service career. It has been a real honor to represent this community as a city council member, state representative, state senator and as a county commissioner. I will miss working with my fellow commissioners and the employees of Arapahoe County, who work hard day-in and day-out to provide our citizens with one of the best counties in the State of Colorado."

As Commissioner, Weddig oversees the County's Facilities and Fleet Management and Community Resources departments. He also represents Arapahoe County's interests on several community boards and organizations, including: Developmental Pathways Board of Directors; Colorado Counties Inc. General Tourism and Economic Development Committees; and the Aurora Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

He also serves on the Forfeiture Board for the District Attorney's and the Sheriff's Office, and in 2011 was appointed chairman of the E-470 Public Highway Authority Board of Directors.

During his term as County Commissioner, Weddig helped shepherd the opening of the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds and Events Center and the return of the Arapahoe County Fair in 2006. He helped oversee the completion of a \$13.8 million project that successfully addressed the space needs for the courts; celebrated the 2008 grand opening of the Eastern Service Center in Byers, and approved a variety of projects that provided citizens with improved parks and trails, as well as protected 18,000 acres of open space throughout Arapahoe County.

A reception to thank and recognize Weddig for his service to Arapahoe County will be held **3:30 p.m., Jan. 3** in the County's Administration Building East Hearing Room, 5334 S. Prince St., Littleton. The public is welcome to attend.

The Arapahoe County Democratic Party will select a replacement to fill the remaining year on Weddig's term. To learn more about the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners, or to find out which commissioner represents you as commissioner district boundaries have changed, visit the County's web site at www.co.arapahoe.co.us and click on departments, Commissioners' Office.

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Media Note:

Photos of Commissioner Frank Weddig are available for download at the County's FTP server by clicking on the following link: <http://bit.ly/ACcomFW>

- 050211Arapahoe County Resolution MP0307: Commissioner Frank Weddig reciting the pledge of allegiance during Arapahoe County Day at the Legislature in honor of the County's 150th Anniversary in 2011.
- ESC Grandopening_Frank: Commissioner Frank Weddig celebrating the grand opening of the Arapahoe County Eastern Service Center in 2008.
- IMG_6912: Commissioner Frank Weddig celebrating Arapahoe County's 150th Anniversary at Western Welcome Week in Littleton in August 2011.