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Matassa Names William Daniel as Ascension Parish Infrastructure Division Director

Ascension Parish President Kenny Matassa is pleased to announce the hiring of William Daniel as the new Infrastructure Division Director. Mr. Daniel brings over 35 years of experience in engineering, executive management, and government to Ascension Parish.

From 2005-2017, Mr. Daniel held key infrastructure and executive positions in East Baton Rouge City-Parish Government, including Public Works Director, Chief Administrative Officer, and, most recently, Environmental Services Director. Mr. Daniel also has extensive private sector experience as an engineer and project manager in the petroleum and environmental consulting sectors.

Mr. Daniel served three terms in the Louisiana House of Representatives, representing portions of East Baton Rouge Parish. He served on the Ways & Means, Transportation and Environment committees, where he authored and passed legislation establishing statewide groundwater policies and regulations.

“Since my first day in office, I have worked to bring parish infrastructure needs into alignment for greater cooperation and cost effectiveness,” said Matassa. “Our search has attracted a first class public servant like William Daniel. I am very happy he will bring his top notch talent and wealth of expertise to the service of Ascension Parish residents.”

“I have known William Daniel for many years as an engineer,” said Chief Administrative Officer Ken Dawson. “He will bring a vital skill set to Ascension Parish and our infrastructure needs.”

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Mr. Daniel holds a Bachelor's degree in petroleum engineering from Louisiana State University and a Master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Tulsa. He also holds two additional Master's degrees in petroleum engineering and environmental management and planning from LSU.

The Infrastructure Division Director, recently approved by the Parish Council, will manage the Department of Transportation & Engineering and the Department of Utilities. The scope of responsibility will include road projects, sewer projects, and Parish Utilities of Ascension.

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