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For Immediate Press Release

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All Citizens of Washington County Colorado,

Please be advised that due to a recent resignation on March 19th, that was given by the one and only certified member of the Clerk and Recorder's Office that an interruption of services to the Driver's License function will take place. This resignation was to take place on March 29th, however she has since notified me that she will not be returning to the office after March 20th. This was unforeseen possibility and unfortunately causes you, the taxpayers, and undue pain and causes extra time on your behalf to go somewhere else for this service.

This is the very reason that I, as a newly elected official, made the decision to move that function back to the same floor as the Clerk's Office and to have all personnel of the Clerk's Office go through the process of getting trained for all facets of the office. These certifications/training will include: Driver's License, Motor Vehicle, recording, Elections and other aspects of the office that people may not know take place.

By having everyone cross-trained for all these aspects of the office we will be able to better serve the taxpayers of Washington County by always having the office open and providing timely services when they are needed. I understand that these services are vital for the taxpayers of the county and will do everything in my power to get them back on-line as quickly as possible including having discussions with the State of Colorado on how to better expedite the training of staff, placing a state employee in Washington County for an interim period of time to continue offering these services and other possibilities as they present themselves.

Thank you for your understanding and realizing that these changes are being undertaken to better serve the public and to better utilize the funds that are budgeted for these essential services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Annie Kuntz".

Annie Kuntz
Washington County Clerk and Recorder