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NDCS Director Appoints Hansen Warden of the Tecumseh State Correctional Institution

(LINCOLN) – Today, Scott R. Frakes, the director of the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS), appointed Brad Hansen to serve as warden of the Tecumseh State Correctional Institution (TSCI) effective March 21, 2016.

“The framework for transforming this agency, TSCI included, is in place,” Frakes said. “As we pursue excellence and move forward, it is critical to fill leadership positions with the people who consistently exemplify responsibility, reliability and sound leadership,” he said.

“NDCS leaders are held to a very high standard,” Frakes continued. “A warden occupies a unique position of trust and responsibility, and has a key role in shaping morale, good order and discipline within their facilities. I have full confidence in Brad’s judgment and ability to lead TSCI,” Frakes said.

Hansen began his career with NDCS in 1977 at the Nebraska State Penitentiary as a correctional officer before moving into a policy-development role. Later, Hansen became a unit administrator at the Penitentiary. Hansen developed the department’s emergency preparedness initiative, the criminal investigator and K-9 programs and was instrumental in creating the department’s special teams. A hallmark of Hansen’s career has been his dedication to learning, both personally and professionally, which has enabled him to become the agency expert in not only emergency preparedness, but also organizational development, team building, training and leadership. Hansen’s leadership skills and vision uniquely qualify him to create the healing environment from which both TSCI staff and inmates will benefit.

Hansen will work with the entire TSCI leadership team to determine the best next steps in moving the facility forward. Warden Hansen is committed to, and looking forward to, spending time with facility staff to hear their needs and ideas.

Hansen’s appointment follows the resignation of Brian Gage.