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City of Menifee Welcomes First Chief Information Officer

Menifee, CA—The City of Menifee is excited to introduce the organization's first Chief Information Officer, Ron Puccinelli. Ron recently joined the City's executive team to oversee and direct the expansive technology operations of citywide information systems and services. This new role is essential to implement Menifee's smart city initiative and to prevent and fight against cyber-security attack issues that are plaguing many agencies across the nation. In addition, Ron will help develop initiatives to take advantage of recent Federal stimulus funds to expand broadband opportunities to all Menifee residents.

Ron comes to Menifee from the City of Fairfield, where he served as Chief Information Officer for nearly three years. He has also worked for the Port of Oakland and the City of Concord, as well as private companies in Northern California in director-level positions. Ron's experience in municipal government includes developing multi-agency public-safety radio communications systems, computer-aided dispatch and records management systems, enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems, digital transformations, and all aspects of developing and leading cybersecurity efforts for multiple municipal agencies.

In this new role, Ron plans, manages, oversees, and directs the operations of an expansive variety of network and technology-related needs. His areas of oversight include Geographic Information Systems (GIS), cybersecurity, public safety, and communication systems. In addition, he leads engineering and system design services for voice and data telecommunications networks and oversees the operations and maintenance of all components of the City's computer systems. He will develop and implement the City's information technology vision and strategic plan. He is also working in partnership with the City's Public Information Officer to initiate the City's first government television channel.

Menifee City Manager, Armando G. Villa, shared how pleased he is to welcome Mr. Puccinelli to the Menifee team. "The City of Menifee is quickly evolving and having a Chief Information Officer is critical to our organization's continued growth. We value innovation and the addition of Mr. Puccinelli helps ensure we have the most effective and productive technology in place for our staff to work efficiently and our constituents to easily take care of their needs."

The City of Menifee is a dynamic and growing organization, much like the community it serves. To view the City of Menifee's employment opportunities and to learn more about joining Menifee's growing team, please visit www.CityofMenifee.us/jobs.

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ABOUT MENIFEE: *Situated in the heart of southern Riverside County along Interstate 215, Menifee is a vibrant, new city of more than 100,000 residents who enjoy a pleasant year-round climate, abundant recreational offerings, reasonably priced housing, and convenient proximity to some of Southern California's premiere attractions and employment centers. Within its 50 square miles, Menifee's business, retail, and entertainment outlets are starting to shape the community's character and this growing economic base is also contributing favorably to the city's strong financial position. Menifee's growing family-oriented population values the city's ongoing commitment to public safety, community events, and smart growth for the future. All of these elements are working together to support the city's strategic vision to make Menifee one of the state's most promising new cities.*