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### **Firm Opens Search for County Administrator**

**GRAND RAPIDS** – Today the recruitment firm hired by the Kent County Board of Commissioners has posted the online application for the County Administrator/Controller role. **GovHR**, an executive recruitment, interim staffing, human resources and management consulting firm is leading the nationwide search.

GovHR interviewed dozens of County Department Directors, employees, community leaders, regional stakeholders, elected officials and municipal partners before creating the position posting. “The Board of Commissioners and the Administrator Search Subcommittee wanted to ensure GovHR understood what type of candidates the Board of Commissioners wants to consider,” said Jim Saalfeld, Board Chair. “This is a critical role on many levels. While there are plenty of great candidates out there, it is important that we find candidates who understand Kent County and the importance of this job as a community leader and collaborator.”

The role was vacated when Administrator Daryl Delabbio retired in June, after nearly 20 years in the position. Wayman Britt (long-time Assistant Administrator) has been serving as Interim Administrator/Controller since July 1.

*The posting says, “The County is most interested in individuals who can think strategically and focus on the County’s long-term goals, while maintaining the County’s outstanding reputation and financial position. The successful candidate will have exceptional communication skills and will intentionally engage with the diverse constituencies of the County. The County values relationships and the next Administrator/Controller will need to be adept at developing positive relationships and embrace the collaborative culture of the community.”*

Since its inception in 2009, GovHR USA has served over 250 clients in 25 states. The position posting can be found at <http://govhrusa.applytojob.com/apply/GjS1vSpGXX/Kent-County-MI-County-AdministratorController>.

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