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Cumberland County and Commonwealth Public Servant Dennis Marion Honored With Dedication of County Public Services Building

Carlisle, PA – In honor of his distinguished service to Cumberland County, Dennis Marion was today memorialized by the Cumberland County Commissioners as they formally dedicated the former Human Services Building, located at 16 West High St., in Carlisle as the Dennis Marion Public Services Building.

Marion, who passed away in March of 2017, was an advocate of human services throughout his 31 year career as a public servant for the county. During his tenure he served as; Director of the Drug & Alcohol Commission, Director of the office of Mental Health and Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (MH/IDD), Director of the Board of Elections and as the Chief Clerk of Cumberland County. At the state level, Marion served as the Pennsylvania Deputy Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, at the Department of Human Services.

“Dennis’s level of commitment, energy, and talents to the challenges facing county government was extraordinary,” said Cumberland County Commissioner Gary Eichelberger, who had the privilege of serving with Dennis in his many roles at the county the longest. “He was a man of honor and ethics, and my fellow commissioners and I are proud to commemorate his duty of service by naming our county’s public service building so he will be remembered for generations to come.”

The Dennis Marion Public Service Building currently houses the county’s Children and Youth, Drug and Alcohol, Juvenile Probation departments, with the addition of the Criminal Justice, Human Resources and Communications departments in the coming months.

“Those who worked with Dennis often heard him say ‘pay attention to making small changes consistently over time, and although you may not immediately see the benefits of those changes, your work will have a lasting impact on the lives of others,’” said Camille Marion. “Dennis would no doubt prefer that the building be named for all those who work every day to make the changes that impact the lives of those they serve, but he would be honored by having the Public Services Building named after him.”

A bronze plaque commemorates the Dennis Marion Public Service Building stating in part, “In honor of a lifetime of selfless effort and initiative in service to the people of Cumberland County and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.” – Dedicated this 14th day of September 2018.

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Cumberland County is the fastest growing county in the Commonwealth and offers the perfect mix of small town, suburban and rural living. Established in 1750, Cumberland County consistently maintains one of the lowest tax and unemployment rates in the State, while providing exceptional services for its more than 250,000 residents. More information on Cumberland County can be found at www.ccpa.net.