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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## COMMISSIONER SHANNON JONES APPOINTED TO CHAIR NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & EDUCATION

Warren County, OHIO – Commissioner Shannon Jones was appointed by Commissioner Denise Winfrey (Will County, Illinois), President of the National Association of Counties (NACo), to Chair NACo's Human Services and Education (HSE) Policy Steering Committee for 2023. As a longtime advocate for building strong children, families, and communities, Commissioner Jones brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this new leadership role.

The HSE committee is one of 10 policy steering committees at NACo that cover the full array of domestic policy issues impacting county governments and local communities. These committees review and make recommendations on public policy issues and legislation. The policy development process initiated by the steering committees is the foundation for the American County Platform, which is used to deliver the county government message to the Administration, Congress and the American public. This HSE Committee has jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to children's issues, foster care, public assistance and income support, services to senior citizens and individuals with disabilities, immigration policy, social services, and elementary, secondary and post-secondary education.

"I am honored by this appointment and eager to continue working alongside my colleagues at NACo," said Jones. "It is a privilege to participate in this critical work on behalf of all counties and I'm looking forward to an impactful year in service to our communities."

Commissioner Jones is currently serving her second term to the Warren County Commission, following a decade of service in the Ohio General Assembly where she held key leadership positions. Throughout her public service career, Commissioner Jones has served her community through numerous boards and committees at the local, state, and national levels. In addition to public service, Shannon Jones is the President & CEO of Groundwork Ohio, a statewide, nonprofit

policy development and advocacy organization that advances quality early care and education, to give every Ohio child the best chance for life-long success.

## **About the Warren County Board of County Commissioners**

The Warren County Board of Commissioners is the legislative and executive body of county government. As the governing body, the Board is fiscally responsible for taxpayer dollars and for provision of services as required by state and federal law or mandated by the public. The Board works, through community partnership, to conscientiously protect and enhance the health, safety and quality of life of all Warren County residents, businesses and communities in a respectful, efficient and fiscally responsible way that addresses the needs today and invests in tomorrow.

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