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From: Commissioner Robinson
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Dear FLDOE Team:

Please join me in congratulating Loretta Costin who has been appointed as the Department's new Chief of Staff. Loretta has served as the Chancellor for the Division of Career and Adult Education at the Department since 2008 where she was responsible for working with business and industry leaders to ensure that Florida has the skilled workforce needed to grow and diversify Florida's economy.

Loretta Costin is a lifelong educator and native Floridian. Throughout her tenure with the Department of Education Loretta has served in various capacities, including the Director of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (2002-2004); Director of the Division of Workforce Education (2000-2002); Bureau Chief, Program Improvement and Accountability (1997-2000); Director, Standards, Benchmarks and Frameworks (1994-1997); Program Director, Marketing Education (1990-1994); and Program Specialist, Marketing Education (1985-1990). Prior to becoming an education administrator, Loretta taught Marketing Education at Rutherford High School in Panama City, Florida.

Prior to rejoining the Department of Education as Chancellor, she was the President and CEO of St. Joseph Living, Inc., a Land and Real Estate Development company for three-and-a-half years. While living in Gulf County she was active with the Gulf County Chamber of Commerce and also served on the local Regional Workforce Board.

Loretta will assume her new role on Monday, Nov. 14.

Commissioner Robinson