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## **Mayor Jim Kenney Appoints H. Patrick Clancy President and CEO of Philadelphia Works**

*Experienced Workforce Development professional to lead efforts in Philadelphia to connect career seekers and employers*

**PHILADELPHIA, PA** – Philadelphia Works, the city’s lead workforce development agency, today announced the appointment of H. Patrick Clancy as the new President and CEO of the organization. Clancy was appointed by Mayor Jim Kenney and will begin his employment as of January 16, 2017.

In this role, Clancy will direct all aspects of Philadelphia Works, providing strategic guidance for investments in solutions and services to grow Philadelphia’s economy. With an annual budget of more than \$62 million, Philadelphia Works influences public policies that support economic growth, and optimizes funding and resources to invest in regional solutions to build a skilled and thriving workforce.

“I am pleased to appoint Patrick Clancy as President and CEO of Philadelphia Works,” said Mayor Jim Kenney. “Pat is an ideal candidate to lead our public workforce system given his strong consensus-building skills. These are skills he has used over the last two-plus decades to develop partnerships between employers, non-profits, government agencies, unions, foundations and higher education institutions. We are honored to have Pat on board as we work to support job growth and develop stronger pipelines to family-sustaining careers for our city’s most vulnerable residents.”

Patrick Clancy possesses more than 20 years senior level experience developing and managing Career and Workforce Development programs. He most recently served as Special Advisor on Employment and Training Programs for the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, where he oversaw the implementation of an \$80 million Welfare to Work program across the Commonwealth and helped to draft the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) state plan for the US Department of Labor. He also advised the Secretary of Human Services on all employment and training issues regarding TANF recipients.

"Pat's experience and creativity in workforce development was invaluable to the state," said DHS Secretary Ted Dallas. "While we will miss him here, we congratulate him on his new position and look forward to working with him in his new role."

Clancy's experience is rooted at Philadelphia Works, having spent nearly 15 years in various roles-including seven years as Vice President of Training Programs-with the former Philadelphia Workforce Development Corporation (PWDC). The PWDC merged with the Philadelphia Workforce Investment Board (WIB) in 2012 to form Philadelphia Works. After his time with PWDC, Clancy led strategic planning and development of 16 Industry-Sector Partnerships across Southeastern Pennsylvania, connecting employers, unions and community colleges in order to create cost-effective training programs.

Clancy received his Bachelor of Science in Human Resources and Management from LaSalle University. He also received a Certificate in Project Management from Pennsylvania State University. He serves as a board member of the Wanamaker Institute of Industries, and is a member of the Pennsylvania Workforce Development Organization, National Association of Workforce Development Professionals and the Society for Human Resource Management.

**About Philadelphia Works:**

Philadelphia Works is a nonprofit investing in solutions and services to grow Philadelphia's economy by connecting employers to workforce talent and career seekers to jobs. We influence the public policies that support economic growth, and optimize funding and resources to invest in regional solutions to build a skilled and thriving workforce. For more information about our dedicated board members and staff, workforce research, labor market data, services and initiatives, and to view success stories, go to <http://www.philaworks.org>.