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**DJJ COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCES RE-APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER SNOW**

**(ATLANTA - GA)** The Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice is pleased to announce the Governor's re-appointment of DJJ Board Member Elaine Snow.

Commissioner L. Gale Buckner announced today that Governor Nathan Deal has re-appointed Board Member Elaine P. Snow from Lindale, Georgia to represent Congressional District 11 on the DJJ Board.

With this announcement, Snow will now serve another five year term on the DJJ Board through 2017. Commissioner Buckner will confirm her re-appointment during the next regular DJJ Board meeting in April.

Board Member Elaine Snow is Chief of Police for the City of Rome Police Department. She has 38 years of law enforcement experience ranging from investigations and crime prevention- and- analysis to training, accreditation, and management. She is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, Georgia Law Enforcement Command College and Leadership Rome.

Chief Snow serves on the Open Door Home Board of Trustees, Georgia Public Safety Training Center-Dalton Academy Advisory Board, and the GBI-Georgia Crime Information Center Advisory Board. She also serves as the Georgia representative and Vice Chair to the FBI Criminal Justice Information Services Southern Working Group. Snow earned a Bachelor's degree from Jacksonville State University and a Master's degree from Columbus State University. Snow and her husband Tommy, have two grown children and four grandchildren.

Board Member Elaine Snow re-appointed today will serve in an advisory capacity to DJJ, providing leadership and guidance to the Commissioner to help improve services provided by the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice. "We appreciate the vision Governor Deal brings to our mission as he makes the re-appointment that constitute this board," said Commissioner Buckner. "We congratulate Chief Snow on her re-appointment to the DJJ Team as we look forward to taking on the many key challenges ahead."

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