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Mayor-elect Melvin Carter Names Jaime Tincher as Deputy Mayor of Saint Paul

Tincher brings a record of progressive policy successes as Chief of Staff to Governor Dayton and Lt. Governor Smith

As Deputy Mayor, Tincher will also lead Mayor-elect Carter's transition team, which aims to engage all Saint Paul residents in the future of our city

SAINT PAUL – Today, Mayor-elect Melvin Carter announced the selection of Jaime Tincher to Deputy Mayor of Saint Paul. Tincher joins the City of Saint Paul from the State of Minnesota, where she served as Chief of Staff to Governor Dayton and Lt. Governor Tina Smith since 2014.

As Chief of Staff, Tincher successfully managed an executive office staff and complex budgets to achieve progressive policy victories for the people of Minnesota. She prioritized diversity and inclusion in state hiring, purchasing, and outreach, and re-envisioned the work of state agencies to make government work better for all Minnesotans.

As Deputy Mayor, Tincher will work to implement Mayor-elect Carter's vision of a Saint Paul that works for all of us, and will be responsible for re-imagining city government to address structural inequalities and deliver high-quality services to all of Saint Paul's 304,000 residents.

"I am honored and grateful that Jaime Tincher has agreed to bring her talents to serve the people of Saint Paul as Deputy Mayor," said Mayor-elect Carter. "Jaime is a proven leader, and will be an invaluable partner as we build a Saint Paul that works for all of us."

"I thank Mayor-Elect Carter for this opportunity to serve the people of Saint Paul," said Tincher. "Together, we can re-imagine the way the City works to make a real difference in the lives of all the people of Saint Paul."

As part of her new role, Tincher will lead Mayor-elect Carter's transition team. Toni Newborn, who currently serves as the Diversity and Consulting Services Manager at the City of Saint Paul will also join the transition team to direct the hiring process for positions in the administration. Mayor-elect Carter's transition will focus on the

priorities he stressed to Saint Paul voters throughout the campaign: ensuring that every kid can thrive as Saint Paul continues to grow, building safer neighborhoods from the ground up, and investing in a city that delivers on the promise of all its residents.

Saint Paul residents are encouraged to connect with Mayor-elect Carter and Jaime Tincher at [a new SaintPaul.gov website](#), where visitors can interact with the Mayor-elect and share their ideas for building a Saint Paul that works for all of us.

About Jaime Tincher

Jaime Tincher served as Chief of Staff to Governor Mark Dayton and Lt. Governor Tina Smith since 2014. Prior to that, she was Governor Dayton's Deputy Chief of Staff for Legislative Affairs. As Chief of Staff, Tincher managed the daily operation of state government, an enterprise with more than 34,000 employees. She served as a key liaison and advisor for Governor Dayton and Lt. Governor Smith, leading the Administration's efforts on high-profile issues including budget negotiations, state government reform, transportation, and education. Tincher also oversaw hiring, emergency and crisis management, and was responsible for mobilizing the Governor's Cabinet and staff throughout the Administration.

During her time in the Governor's Office, Tincher was instrumental in advancing Governor Dayton's agenda for strengthening Minnesota through key investments in job growth, economic development, and education. She helped secure many of Governor Dayton's signature accomplishments, including universal all-day Kindergarten, a balanced and responsible budget, comprehensive tax reform, marriage equality, and a minimum wage increase.

Tincher was committed to making measurable progress to improve the recruiting and retention of state employees from diverse backgrounds, diversifying state business contracting, and promoting civic engagement. Together with the State of Minnesota's first Chief Inclusion Officer, Tincher led the Administration's efforts in advancing equity through diversity and inclusion.

A seasoned electoral campaign professional, Tincher has managed large teams and multi-million dollar budgets. Her previous positions also allowed her to travel the state and learn the concerns of people across Minnesota.

Tincher is originally from West Virginia. A graduate of Denison University, she majored in Communications, spent her junior year in Mexico, and played lacrosse and softball. She studied Conflict Resolution at the School for International Training in Vermont. Tincher lives in Ward 5 in Saint Paul with her two children.

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