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**Jim Combs Begins His Tenure as Director of the
Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation**

Sacramento, California, July 9, 2007—Jim Combs began his tenure today as Director of the Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation.

Jim Combs has worked as an Assistant General Manager for the Department of Recreation and Parks – City of Los Angeles for the past seven years. Jim provided management oversight and leadership for 193 parks, 900 full-time and 3,000 part-time employees, and a \$60-million operating budget. Some of Jim's achievements with the Department of Recreation and Parks - City of Los Angeles include improvements to the department's equipment repair operations, enhancements in park safety, and increases in park enforcement resources. Prior to working for the City of Los Angeles, Jim worked for the City of San Jose and the City of San Jose Redevelopment Agency.

Jim takes over a 2,800 employee-strong department that continues to impact the daily lives of Sacramentans by enhancing livability through parks, community centers, and programs that address the needs of children, youth, and adults.

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