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Gov. Reynolds announces Lt. Governor Adam Gregg is leaving position to focus on family

DES MOINES— Gov. Kim Reynolds today announced that Lt. Governor Adam Gregg is stepping down from his position to pursue a career opportunity that allows him to focus more on his family.

"Adam has been a tremendous partner and an important part of my team over the last seven years, and I greatly appreciate his service to lowans," remarked Governor Reynolds. "It comes as no surprise that he would choose to step down to prioritize his personal life. Adam is a devoted husband and father, and there is nothing more important to him than his family. Even as lieutenant governor, he has made time to coach his young son and daughter, be involved at their school, and participate together in church activities. This most certainly is the right decision for Adam, and I wish him, Cari and their children only the best."

"It has been a great honor to serve alongside Governor Reynolds for seven years. I have enormous respect for her and her leadership, and she will always be one of the most important mentors in my life. I don't have the words to express the profound gratitude I feel toward Governor Reynolds," Lt. Governor Adam Gregg stated.

"However, as Scripture reminds us, for everything there is a season, and there is a time to every purpose under heaven. I feel my time in public service must come to a close. This season of my life needs to be focused on my family. My kids are growing up too fast, and statewide elected offices force me to miss more of their lives than I can accept. While difficult, the decision to resign from this role allows me to honor my most important commitment – my family." Gov. Reynolds named Adam Gregg acting lieutenant governor in May 2017 when she succeeded Gov. Terry Branstad after he was named U.S. Ambassador to China. The two have since been elected to two terms in office, in 2018 and 2022.

His resignation is effective today, September 3, 2024.

Under lowa Code, the governor makes an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of the lieutenant governor, and the appointee serves for the balance of the unexpired term. Until Gov. Reynolds makes an appointment later this fall, the president of the Senate will be next in line of succession.

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