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Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters/Assessor Freddie Oakley to Retire

(Woodland, CA) – Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters/Assessor Freddie Oakley has announced she will be retiring at the end of this month to take a position in the Clinton campaign. Oakley has served in the position since 2002.

Freddie Oakley began her career with Yolo County in 1987 as Chief Deputy Public Guardian/Public Administrator. Between 1991 and 1999, she held positions with the California Public Utilities Commission, California Legislator Burt Margolin and Helyne Meshar & Associates. In 1997, she was appointed by Gov. Wilson to fill the seat vacated by Yolo County Supervisor Helen M. Thomson who was elected to the California State Assembly. Oakley served the remainder of that term and then was appointed Chief Deputy Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters in 1999 under Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters Tony Bernhard. Upon his retirement, Oakley ran for and was elected Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters and has served Yolo County in that capacity since 2002. In 2015, she took on the additional responsibility of Assessor.

"It has been an honor and a joy to work for and with the people of Yolo County since 1987," said Freddie Oakley. "When I left for a few years to work at the state level, I was amazed at how much I missed the county, and was thrilled when I had an opportunity to return. All of the many staff that I have worked with here have been terrific colleagues. I know that I am leaving these departments in the hands of capable, dedicated workers who know their jobs perfectly and do them with enthusiasm."

Along with a position in the Clinton campaign, Oakley adds, "I look forward to having time to spend with my husband of nearly 50 years who is now an emeritus professor and actually has time to spend with me."

"For almost three decades, in a variety of capacities, Freddie Oakley has served the people of Yolo County," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Matt Rexroad. "She is impassioned about what she's done and we honor her for her amazing public service."

The Board of Supervisors is charged with filling the vacated seat of Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters/Assessor. An interim will likely be named during the December 15 Board of Supervisors meeting and a process evaluated for making an appointment to fill the remaining three years of the four year term.