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Montco Names Kelly Green Voter Services Director

Norristown, PA (February 20, 2014) – Montgomery County has chosen a woman with proven leadership in mission-driven organizations focused on advocacy, social justice and civil rights to lead its Voter Services Department.

Kelly L. Green has 20-years' experience working in and leading non-profit organizations, and has been extremely active in community service organizations and projects. She has contributed her time to many civic endeavors, including the League of Women Voters of Philadelphia, which she led from 2006 to 2011, and served as a board member of that organization for a dozen years. She has also been a member of the Philadelphia Bar Association Judicial Selection and Review Committee for the past 11 years.

"I believe in democracy," Green said. "From my time with the Institute for the Study of Civic Values to my years with the League of Women Voters, my career has always been about 'we the people'. I have dedicated my life's work to educate and advocate the importance of our right to vote, and how that right, the fundamental principal of our democracy, should not be wasted. It can truly create communities that are clean, safe and economically viable places to raise our kids."

Montgomery County Commissioner Leslie Richards, who serves as chair of the county Board of Elections, hailed the hiring of Green as "a major step forward in the county's plans to streamline and modernize the operations of the voter services department."

"During her career, Kelly has demonstrated impressive vision, courage, competence and tenacity in restructuring organizations to create greater efficiencies and more responsive and effective services," Richards said.

Most recently, Green was the CEO and founder of Go Green Consulting, a firm that provided strategic development, fund raising and board development and staff management services to its clients.

She has also served as CEO and executive director of the tri-state office of Variety – The Children’s Charity, and was a board member of United States Variety. She took over the helm at Variety when the charity was cash-strapped and scandal-ridden. In less than three years, Green took the organization from a \$1.5 million deficit to net assets of over \$800,000, settled over \$500,000 in unpaid vendor debt, and created a fund raising plan for a budget of \$5.5 million.

For 13 years, Green was deputy director in charge of civic education, government relations and community organizing for the Institute for the Study of Civic Values in Philadelphia.

Earlier in her career, Green founded and directed Help Make Peace, a city-wide coalition of more than 100 volunteer service providers offering direct service to low-income and homeless families.

Green has a degree in administrative justice from Penn State University, and earned certifications in program development and anti-violence training from Temple University. She lives in Philadelphia and has one daughter.