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Commissioner Meisner Appointed to State Advisory Council on Mental Health

District 4 Anoka County Commissioner Mandy Meisner was recently appointed by Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz to the State Advisory Council on Mental Health.

This council, which was established in 1987, makes recommendations to the governor, Legislature, and state departments on mental health policies, programs, and services. Meisner's appointment runs through 2024.

State advisory members include:

- Individuals with lived experience of mental illness.
- Family members of individuals with lived experience of mental illness.
- Parents of children with a lived experience of emotional and behavioral disorders.
- Representatives of state departments and advocacy organizations, mental health professionals, legislators, county commissioners, social service agency directors and other representatives with experience in the mental health system.

“I’m honored to be appointed to the State Advisory Council on Mental Health — I’ve been an advocate for mental health issues in Anoka County and the broader area for more than a decade,” Meisner said. “Ensuring mental health services are accessible and equitable is important work, and I’m looking forward to shaping mental health assistance in the state, along with a diverse and knowledgeable group of other council members.”

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