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NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR SELECTED IN LOS GATOS

Los Gatos, CA – Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager, announced today the appointment of Dolly Goyal to the position of Library Director for the Town of Los Gatos. Ms. Goyal has over 10 years of experience working in public libraries. She holds Bachelor Degrees in Journalism and Criminal Justice from Northeastern University, and a Master of Library and Information Science Degree from San Jose State University. Ms. Goyal is a 2014 graduate of the American Library Association (ALA) Emerging Leader Program, and a 2012 graduate of the Eureka! Leadership Institute.

Currently, Ms. Goyal works as the Branch Manager for the East Palo Alto Library where she manages the daily library operations, including leading and training library and paraprofessional staff, overseeing facility maintenance, and managing circulation duties. Some of Ms. Goyal's past key achievements include implementing the County of San Mateo's first Teen Service Program and the Lunch @ the Library Program in partnership with the YMCA of Silicon Valley, the Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo County to provide meals at the East Palo Alto Library for youth and adults. Prior to her current position, Ms. Goyal also worked for the public libraries for the cities of Belmont, Woodside, Brisbane, Cupertino, Saratoga, and Santa Clara.

The recruitment process for the Library Director attracted candidates from throughout the state. Top candidates were invited to participate in interviews with the Town Manager, Town staff, members of the Friends of the Library and Library Board, and external subject matter experts.

Ms. Prevetti stated, "Dolly stood out among the candidates for her experience, leadership, innovation, and community-based approach to service delivery. In particular, Dolly demonstrated a collaborative, team-based approach with staff and external partners in determining programs to meet the needs of the community." When asked about joining the Town, Ms. Goyal responded, "I am very excited to work for the Town of Los Gatos and I look forward to working together to further enrich library services in the community."

Ms. Goyal will start her employment with the Town on May 9, 2016.

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