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### **Cathy LeCompte Appointed as Director of AVTEC**

JUNEAU, Alaska— Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Heidi Drygas appointed Cathy LeCompte to serve as the Director of AVTEC, the department's post-secondary vocational education school located in Seward. She is the first woman to serve as director of the school which was founded in 1969.

"AVTEC is an excellent choice for Alaskans seeking top quality career and technical education," said Labor Commissioner Heidi Drygas. "Director LeCompte's capable leadership will ensure the school continues to thrive."

Ms. LeCompte was most recently employed as the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs for the University of Alaska Anchorage's Community and Technical College. Prior to that, she was Campus Director of the University of Alaska Southeast in Ketchikan. Ms. LeCompte earned a bachelor's degree in business management at City University and a master's degree in leadership at Seattle University.

"As an Alaskan who has personally benefitted from career and technical education, I am excited to join the wonderful team at AVTEC," said Director LeCompte. "I look forward to being part of the community in Seward and serving the students who come to AVTEC from across the state."

AVTEC offers training programs in several fields including maritime, professional baking and cooking, industrial trades, welding, and information technology. For a complete listing of programs offered or information on how to become a student at AVTEC, please visit [www.avtec.edu](http://www.avtec.edu) or call 1-800-478-5389.

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