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Governor Baker Appoints Thomas Shack As Comptroller

BOSTON – Governor Charlie Baker today appointed Thomas Shack as Comptroller of the Commonwealth, an independent overseer of the Commonwealth’s financial transactions, accountability and service delivery across the Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches.

“Tom’s experience within the Comptroller’s Office will ensure taxpayers have a collaborative and independent fiscal watchdog as our administration also works to close the \$1.8 billion structural deficit we inherited and make government more customer-service oriented,” **said Governor Baker**. “Addressing the underlying spending problem in state government will require an enhanced degree of transparency, efficiency and accountability that I am confident Tom will provide.”

The Comptroller is appointed by and serves coterminous with and independent of the Governor. The Office of the Comptroller is served by an Advisory Board chaired by Secretary of Administration and Finance Kristen Lepore and consisting of the Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, Trial Court Administrator and two gubernatorial appointees with experience in accounting, management or public finance who serve three-year terms.

“I am grateful to Governor Baker and Lieutenant Governor Polito for this unique and challenging opportunity and I look forward to serving as the next Comptroller of the Commonwealth,” **said Thomas Shack**. “I am mindful of the responsibility we have to

ensure accountability and accuracy in the Commonwealth's financial and administrative operations and I look forward to building upon the organization's longstanding reputation for outstanding service, security, and transparency."

About Thomas G. Shack III, Esq.

Thomas Shack has served the Office of the Comptroller since 2012, most recently as Deputy Comptroller and Chief Financial and Operating Officer, where he started as a Deputy General Counsel and later the Director of Resource Management and Chief Financial Officer managing the Commonwealth's multi-billion dollars per year operating budget. Prior to joining the Comptroller's Office, Shack spent eight years as Chief of Operations, Chief Financial Officer and a Senior Assistant District Attorney for the Cape and Islands District Attorney's Office and served in private practice. He obtained his Juris Doctorate from New England Law Boston and a Masters of Business Administration from The American University. Shack also held multiple roles in the private sector.

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