Lucibeth N. Mayberry Named President and CEO and Director of CoreCivic Patrick D. Swindle Steps Down Due to Health Reasons

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BRENTWOOD, Tenn., Sept. 25, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **CoreCivic, Inc. (NYSE: CXW)** ("CoreCivic" or the “Company”) announced today that the Board of Directors of the Company has appointed Lucibeth N. Mayberry as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Patrick D. Swindle has resigned as President and Chief Executive Officer due to health reasons. Mr. Swindle has served as President and Chief Executive Officer since January 1, 2026, following his appointment as President and Chief Operating Officer on January 1, 2025. In addition, Mr. Swindle resigned from CoreCivic’s Board, and Ms. Mayberry has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Swindle said, "It is with a heavy heart that I am announcing my decision to resign as President and CEO of CoreCivic, as I pursue treatment for stage four metastatic pancreatic cancer. It has been the greatest professional honor of my life to serve as President and CEO of this Company. We have an excellent leadership team at CoreCivic, and Lucibeth has been an indispensable member of our executive leadership team, with whom I've worked closely for nineteen years on many critical strategic matters for the Company, including the property sales we announced earlier this year. Lucibeth is one of the most capable and principled leaders I know, and I have no doubt that under her stewardship, this Company will continue to grow and make a difference in the lives of the individuals entrusted to our care."

Ms. Mayberry said, "Patrick is not only a remarkable leader but a valued colleague and a dear friend. I am personally thankful for his mentorship and his numerous contributions to CoreCivic, not just as Chief Executive Officer, but over the course of his many years with the Company. Patrick has been instrumental in leading CoreCivic through a significant period of development and change during his time as President and CEO. I am fully committed to continuing the current capital allocation strategy, maintaining our focus on operational excellence, and look forward to building on the progress already underway."

Mark Emkes, chair of the Board of Directors, commented, "On behalf of the Board of Directors, I thank Patrick and extend our very best wishes to him and his family. Patrick helped make the Company stronger and more flexible and positioned the Company well for the future. We are profoundly grateful for everything Patrick has given to this organization, and we are honored that he will continue to lend his guidance as a special advisor during this transition. In appointing Lucibeth, the Board is recognizing her significant leadership and the trust she has earned across the organization. She has a deep understanding of our business, a proven ability to execute strategic initiatives, and the full confidence of the Board to lead CoreCivic forward while continuing the strategy that has strengthened the Company and created value for shareholders."

Ms. Mayberry has served as the Executive Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer since May 2025. From October 2022 to May 2025, Ms. Mayberry served as the Executive Vice President and Chief Innovation Officer. Prior to assuming that role, Ms. Mayberry served as Executive Vice President, Real Estate from May 2015 until October 2022. She has previously served in various roles at CoreCivic since May 2003, including as Vice President, Deputy Chief Development Officer; Vice President, Research, Contract and Proposals; and as Managing Director, State Partnership Relations. Ms. Mayberry holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee, a juris doctor from Vanderbilt University, and a Master of Laws degree in taxation from the University of Florida.

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