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Nancy A. Doty sworn in as new Clerk and Recorder

Nancy A. Doty was sworn in today as Arapahoe County's new Clerk and Recorder.

Doty, who just a few days earlier, won an overwhelming majority in Tuesday's history-making recall election, took the oath of office before Judge John Leopold, County Commissioners and more than 100 family, friends, supporters and employees.

"Today is a new beginning for us in Arapahoe County," Doty said. "The entire State of Colorado watched to see if we would do the right thing when we found a problem with an elected official. I'm proud to say we did the right thing, and the best thing we did was let our children know that we expect our leaders to display ethical and moral principles."

Doty recognized and thanked the more than 400 volunteers and "citizen activists" who circulated petitions in support of the recall and her candidacy. "Democracy did prevail because of their efforts and we owe them our thanks."

Doty also said she looks forward to meeting and working with the employees of the Clerk and Recorder's Office. "It's been a long two years and I assure you that you won't have to come to work and fear harassment and intimidation. I look forward to meeting all of you in the next few days, and I plan to make Arapahoe County proud."

Prior to the ceremony, the Board of County Commissioners held a special meeting to approve and accept Doty's \$250,000 Public Official Bond.

"We have a dynamic group of elected officials in Arapahoe County and we are thrilled to have Nancy Doty join our team," said Commissioner and Board Chair Susan Beckman after voting to accept Doty's bond. "It's time to look forward in Arapahoe County and leave the controversial past behind us."

Also Friday, Designated Election Official Ed Bosier officially certified the results of the 2004 Special Recall Election. Both the bond and certificate of the official election results were required before Doty could be sworn into office Friday.
