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The President today announced his intention to nominate Jerry N. Jenson, of Elk Grove, Illinois, to be Deputy Administrator of Drug Enforcement. This position was created by Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1973 which established the Drug Enforcement Administration in the Department of Justice.

Mr. Jenson has been Regional Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration since February of 1974. From 1973 until 1974 he was Acting Regional Administrator for the Drug Enforcement Administration in New York. He was Deputy Regional Director of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs for New York from 1970 to 1973. From 1968 to 1970 Mr. Jenson was Regional Director for the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs in New Orleans, Louisiana. He served as Chief of Criminal Investigations, Bureau of Drug Abuse Control, Washington, D. C., from 1966 to 1968. From 1962 to 1966 he was Assistant Chief for Investigations of the Bureau of Public Roads in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Jenson was born on March 29, 1933 in Wister, Oklahoma. He received his B.S. degree from Abilene Christian College in 1955. He served in the United States Army from 1950 to 1952 and again in 1957. From 1957 to 1960 Mr. Jenson was a Narcotic Agent for the Bureau of Narcotics in San Antonio, Texas and New York, New York. He was a Special Agent for the New York State Commissioner of Investigations from 1960 to 1961. In 1961 and 1962 he was District Investigator, Federal Maritime Commission in New York.

Mr. Jenson is married to the former Patsy Anne Stephens and they have five children. They reside in Elk Grove, Illinois.

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