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WOODEN SWORN IN AS CONNECTICUT'S 83RD STATE TREASURER

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(HARTFORD, CT) - Shawn T. Wooden was sworn in today as the 83rd Connecticut State Treasurer, pledging to use the office to protect workers' retirement security while spurring improvements in the state's economy, infrastructure and educational system.

“I am honored beyond words that the people of Connecticut have placed their confidence in me by electing me State Treasurer,” said Wooden, who takes office after a successful 21-year career as an investment attorney specializing in public pension plans. “Having oversight of more than \$60 billion in state assets is an enormous responsibility. I assure the taxpayers of this state that every investment and decision I make will be geared towards maximizing returns and moving Connecticut forward.”

Wooden was sworn in along with Governor Ned Lamont and other Constitutional Officers during a midday ceremony at the William A. O'Neill State Armory. He was administered the oath of office by Connecticut Supreme Court Chief Justice Richard A. Robinson, as his two school age sons held the Bible.

Raised in North Hartford, Wooden said it was an unlikely journey that led him to his election and today's swearing-in.

The youngest of six children, Wooden participated in the Project Concern de-segregation busing program and attended Manchester Public Schools, where he graduated high school with honors. He went on to earn a four-year academic scholarship to Trinity College in Hartford, where he now serves as a member of its Board of Trustees.

Upon college graduation, Wooden worked for the Mayor of Hartford and then as Connecticut Director of Project Vote, a national voter registration and education program. He also served as a key aide for the Connecticut Commissioner of Social Services.

He later attended New York University School of Law before joining Day Pitney LLP in Hartford, where he led the firm's public pension plan investment practice.

From 2011 to 2015, Wooden served as President of the Hartford City Council, leading efforts to close budget deficits, protecting the pension system and supporting economic development in the city.

“Connecticut is facing some enormous fiscal challenges right now, as well as some very exciting opportunities for growth,” Wooden said. “I look forward to using my extensive experience in government and as an investment attorney to take on the very serious work ahead of us.”

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