

Colleagues:

I wanted to share with all of you a personal decision that Tim Ryan has made, and just shared with the newsroom, about his future here at 9NEWS.

“The time has come for me to make an important life change. In 1984, I started working in a television newsroom for the first time at KOMU in Columbia, Missouri. During the past 40 years, television journalism took me from Columbia to Fort Smith, to Wichita, to Denver, to Austin and then finally back to Denver in 2020. And 2024 is the year when I’ll leave this career for something different.

This is bittersweet, as I’m excited about the future, but also sad about leaving something behind that’s been part of my life continuously since I was in college. The something different is in development, but includes creating a television project that I’ve been thinking about for many years, as well as exploring teaching opportunities in my top two passions: History and journalism.

The timing of this change is coming sometime in the next several months, but not immediately. I’m working with both KUSA and TEGNA leadership to create a period of overlapping time with me and the next news director at 9NEWS. For now I will simply say that I’m grateful for the people who I have worked with at 9NEWS since 1991, and those I work with today, who have demonstrated such an extraordinary commitment to one another, as well as the audience they serve every day.

Thank you for that, and stay tuned, as we used to say.”

Tim

While the timing of this is not immediate, it will happen before we know it and we will find an appropriate way to thank Tim for his many years of service, mentorship and leadership. In the meantime we will begin a national search for his successor.

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