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## MOBILITY AUTHORITY WELCOMES NEW WILLIAMSON COUNTY APPOINTEE HEATHER GADDES TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Gaddes Known as a Regional Leader in Central Texas for More Than Two Decades

**AUSTIN, TEXAS – March 31, 2021** –The <u>Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority</u> (Mobility Authority) Board of Directors has officially received a new member, Heather Gaddes, appointed by the Williamson County Commissioner's Court at its March 2, 2021 meeting. Gaddes was sworn in at the March 31 board of directors meeting and will serve a two-year term, replacing outgoing member Mark Ayotte.

Gaddes is a business development representative for Independence Title, a role that has allowed her to develop long-lasting relationships in both Travis and Williamson counties since she started there in 2012. She has been named consecutive President's Award winner for the Southwest Region of the United States by the core company Realogy. Prior to her role at Independence Title, Gaddes was a business manager and Realtor in the Central Texas area.

"We are incredibly fortunate to welcome Heather to our board. As a sixth-generation Texan, Heather has been deeply committed to our beloved region for more than 25 years and works each day to make it a better place," said Bobby Jenkins, Chairman of the Mobility Authority Board of Directors. "Aside from her professional work, she is an active member in the community through various Williamson County-area chambers and regularly volunteers with Meals on Wheels. Her history and experience in the area, as well as her deep-rooted relationships, make her an incredible asset to our team."

Gaddes serves on the Cedar Park Chamber Board of Directors, where she is a current Legislative Council committee member and former Executive Committee member. She also has a passion project called Women Own Wheels, helping women learn more about cars.

"I have always had a heart for serving my community in many different capacities," said Gaddes. "Whether it's through my work at Independence Title, the Cedar Park Chamber, Women Own Wheels or volunteer work, it is the people in this region that keep me motivated. Central Texas is an incredibly special place, and I am thrilled to join the board at the Mobility Authority to continue change-making for the benefit of our local landscape and lifestyle."

Gaddes replaces former Williamson County-appointed board member Mark Ayotte, who served two terms.

"I want to thank Mark for his tireless work and dedication to our community," said Jenkins. "His efforts on behalf of the Mobility Authority over the past four years extended far beyond our agency, and I know he will continue to lead our region in many ways through future endeavors. We wish him the very best."

The Mobility Authority Board of Directors is comprised of seven local community volunteers who are responsible for setting policies, identifying priority projects, and ensuring the agency is operated in an efficient and effective manner. Board members are active members of the community who are appointed to serve two-year terms and are not compensated for their service. The governor appoints the chairman, and the Commissioners Courts for both Travis and Williamson counties each appoint three members to serve on the Board.

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## ABOUT THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority is a local, independent government agency created in 2002 to improve the regional transportation system in Travis and Williamson Counties. The Mobility Authority implements innovative and sustainable transportation options to enhance quality of life and economic vitality in Central Texas. The Mobility Authority operates 183A Toll, 290 Toll, the 71 Toll Lane, the MoPac Express Lane, the 45SW Toll Road, and the 183 Toll Road. For more information about the Mobility Authority, visit <a href="https://www.MobilityAuthority.com">www.MobilityAuthority.com</a>.