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Kermit credit union executive Devora Mitchell appointed to Manufactured Housing Division's Governing Board

(AUSTIN) — Governor Rick Perry has appointed Devora Mitchell of Kermit to the Governing Board of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs' (TDHCA) Manufactured Housing Division. The Board is responsible for setting policy for the Division and addressing a broad range of issues relating to the regulation of the state's manufactured housing industry.

This appointment is subject to confirmation by the Texas Senate.

"I'm very honored and excited about my appointment to the Texas Manufactured Housing Board," said Ms. Mitchell. "With my background in finance and past experience serving on other boards, my hope is to be a useful asset to the industry and consumers this department serves."

"We're excited about the appointment of Ms. Mitchell to our Governing Board," said Joe Garcia, TDHCA Manufactured Housing Division Executive Director. "Her experience with credit unions allows her to bring a unique, consumer-oriented perspective to the board, as well as a serious commitment to furthering affordable housing opportunities for all Texans. The Division's staff and I look forward to a close, productive working relationship."

Mitchell is president and CEO of Winkler County Credit Union. She is a past president of the Kermit Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the board of the Permian Chapter of Credit Unions. In addition, Ms. Mitchell has also served on numerous committees for the Texas Credit Union League. She replaces Valeri Stiers Malone of Holliday.

The Manufactured Housing Division of TDHCA is responsible for regulating the manufactured housing industry in Texas. In addition to licensing those who build, sell, and install manufactured homes within the state, the Division issues and maintains records on ownership and location, inspects home installations, and investigates and oversees the resolution of consumer complaints.

The division annually issues 96,000 statements of ownership and location (formerly referred to as titles), issues over 2,600 occupational licenses, resolves over 1,000 consumer complaints, and fields over 62,000 consumer phone calls.

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About the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs is the state agency responsible for affordable housing, community services, energy assistance, and colonia housing programs. The Department annually administers more than \$400 million through for-profit, nonprofit, and local government partnerships to deliver local housing and community-based opportunities and assistance to Texans in need.

About TDHCA's Manufactured Housing Division

The TDHCA Manufactured Housing Division licenses and regulates those who manufacture, sell, broker, and install manufactured homes. Since 1976, manufactured homes have been built to the rigorous requirements of a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) code. Because of its regulatory nature, the TDHCA Manufactured Housing Division has its own board and executive director.