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TRAVIS CAD CHIEF APPRAISER ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT PLANNED FOR EARLY 2024

AUSTIN, Texas – Travis Central Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Marya Crigler has informed the agency’s Board of Directors that she intends to retire from the District in early 2024.

“I have thoroughly enjoyed my thirty-three years at TCAD and am grateful for the opportunities this agency has given me,” Crigler told the Board.

Crigler was appointed the District’s Chief Appraiser in December 2011. Having started her career at the District in 1990 shortly after graduating from the University of Texas at Austin, Crigler has served in various roles for the agency, including appraiser, modeler, Director of IT, Appraisal Review Board Coordinator, and Deputy Chief of Operations.

“Ms. Crigler’s commitment to public service has served as a model for leadership among appraisal districts throughout the state,” said Leana Mann, TCAD Deputy Chief Appraiser. “Her commitment to innovation has been a great service to Travis County property owners.”

Crigler’s leadership has been pivotal towards making TCAD a leader among appraisal districts throughout Texas. Under her direction, the District implemented a Truth in Taxation website to educate property owners on the impact that tax rates have on their property tax bills, an initiative that is now mandatory for all appraisal districts in the state. Additionally, Crigler successfully identified a key data source that allows appraisal districts to produce accurate property appraisals in compliance with state law and local realtor board copyright restrictions.

Throughout her career, Crigler has received numerous recognitions for her work, including being awarded the Earl Luna Award and the James A. Goodwin Excellence in Education Award from the Texas Association of Appraisal Districts (TAAD) for promoting the effective and efficient functioning of appraisal districts in Texas. During her tenure as Chief Appraiser, Crigler has also served as President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer of the Texas Association of Appraisal Districts; Treasurer and Trustee of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers; and Chair of the Metropolitan Council of Appraisal Districts. Under her leadership, the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO) awarded TCAD the Distinguished Assessment Jurisdiction Award in 2017 and the Public Information Program Award in 2021.

Bruce Elfant, Travis County Tax Assessor-Collector and member of the Travis CAD Board added, “Ms. Crigler has set a high standard for chief appraisers. Working in the property tax system is often a thankless job. But appraisal districts and property owners throughout Texas owe her a great deal of appreciation for her hard work.”

The District’s Board of Directors is expected to finalize plans for a nationwide search for the next Chief Appraiser during their August meeting. They will be supported in their efforts by McCreary Veselka Bragg & Allen PC and Richard Petree of Western Valuation & Consulting.

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The mission of Travis Central Appraisal District, in accordance with the Texas Constitution and the laws of the state, is to provide accurate appraisal of all property in Travis County at one hundred percent market value, equally and uniformly, in a professional, ethical, economical, and courteous manner, working to ensure that each taxpayer pays only their fair share of the property tax burden. For more information, please visit traviscad.org.

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