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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Members

FROM: Cliff Lippard *Cliff*
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DATE: 15 December 2022

SUBJECT: Commission and Staff Updates

Commission Update

On September 30, 2022, Governor Lee appointed commission member Deniece Thomas to the position of Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Please join me in congratulating Commissioner Thomas on her promotion.

And please join me in thanking Mayor Tom Bickers and Mayor Jill Holland for their service on the Commission. Both Mayors Bickers and Holland's terms recently ended, and their incisive and thoughtful comments and questions will be greatly missed.

Staff Update

On December 1, Research Manager Jennifer Barrie graduated from the Tennessee Government Management Institute, the state's two-week residential management institute that provides mid-level managers with the opportunity for academic study, learning in practical management skills, and cross agency networking to enhance individual skills. And on December 6, Web Development and Publications Manager Teresa Gibson graduated from LEAD Tennessee, a yearlong course meeting once a month to provide leaders with core competencies. Please join me in congratulating Jennifer and Teresa on their accomplishments.