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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Members

FROM: Cliff Lippard *Cliff*
Executive Director

DATE: 27 September 2023

SUBJECT: Commission and Staff Updates

Commission Update

Please join me in welcoming our newest commission member, Mayor Bob Rial of Dickson County, who was recently appointed by the governor. Also, please join me in thanking Mayor Buddy Bradshaw of Loudon County for his excellent service to the Commission. Mayor Bradshaw's commission term ended this past July. Finally, please join me in congratulating County Clerk Mary Gaither and Commissioner Deniece Thomas on their recent reappointments to the Commission.

Staff Update

Senior Research Associate Chris Belden will be leaving TACIR at the end of this month to relocate to New York. Chris has been a great staff member and contributed to several projects, most notably serving as the lead researcher on our recent passenger rail study. Please join me in wishing Chris success in his new endeavors.