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NET RMA Announces Its New Chair

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Gov. Rick Perry appointed Mrs. Linda Ryan Thomas of Longview as presiding officer of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority (NET RMA) for a term to expire Feb. 1, 2012. Mrs. Thomas' swearing in ceremony in front of the board will take place at the next NET RMA regular board meeting to be held in January. Regional mobility authorities allow local communities to develop regional transportation priorities, and accelerate development and financing for critical transportation projects.

Mrs. Thomas is partner at Butter-Ryan Partners Ltd., and past vice chair of the NET RMA. She is treasurer of the Good Shepherd Medical Center Foundation, a member of the University of Texas (UT) Liberal Arts Council, and a member and scholarship chair of the UT Tyler Longview University Center Development Council. She is also a board member and development chair of the Kilgore College Foundation, and a board member and past president of the East Texas Area Council Boy Scouts of America Foundation.

About the NET RMA

The NET RMA is an independent government agency created to accelerate the development of transportation projects in North East Texas. Our mission is to implement transportation solutions that will enhance the quality of life and the economic environment in our area. The NET RMA is governed by a 19-member board of directors that represent each of the member counties: Bowie, Cass, Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Panola, Rusk, Smith, Titus, Upshur, Wood and Van Zandt. Texas RMAs were made possible through an initiative passed by State Legislature in 2001. The NET RMA was established in October 2004.

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