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THE REAL ESTATE COUNCIL ANNOUNCES 2016 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, NEW BOARD MEMBERS

DALLAS (January 21, 2016) – The Real Estate Council (TREC) announced today that Diane Butler, CEO of BBG, will lead the organization as chairman of the Board of Directors. She will take over for Sue Ansel, president and CEO of Gables Residential, who will serve as past chairman. Greg Kraus, managing director of acquisitions for Invesco Real Estate, has been appointed to serve as vice chairman, with Christina Bailey, CFO of Humphreys & Partners, serving as treasurer and Susan Cox, a partner with Jones Day, serving as secretary.

“North Texas’ real estate leaders are among the most innovative professionals in the nation, and TREC is fortunate to have many of them serve in leadership roles within our organization,” said Linda McMahon, president and CEO of TREC. “Their unique insight and dedication makes it possible for us accomplish our goal of helping members make connections that will impact careers, companies and communities.”

Additional members of the 2016 TREC Executive Committee include the following:

- Jeff Montgomery, Republic Title of Texas
Chairman 2016 Associate Leadership Council (ALC)
- Evan Beattie, GFF
Chairman 2017 Associate Leadership Council (ALC)
- Greg Fuller, Granite Properties FightNight Chairman
- Eric Krueger, Balfour Beatty Construction Giving Gala Chairman
- Mitch Paradise, Paradise Development Partners PAC Chairman
- Eric Beichler, Mohr Partners Membership Chairman
- Chris Hipps, CBRE Programs Chairman
- Michele Wheeler, Jackson-Shaw Leadership Development Chairman
- Vance Detwiler, Prescott Realty Group Public Policy Chairman
- Mitch Knicely, Hudson Advisors Associate Leadership Council (ALC)
Class Representative
- Josh Hedderich, Parmenter Realty Partners Associate Leadership Council Alumni
Association Chairman
- Elias Bahar, Pritchard Associates Young Guns Chairman

Additionally, TREC elected the following new members to the Board of Directors:

- Mike Ablon, PegasusAblon
- Tom Bakewell, StreetLights Residential
- John Bartling, Invitation Homes LP
- Lucy Billingsley, Billingsley Company
- Shane Bowen, Bank of America Merrill Lynch
- Glenn Callison, Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr PC
- David Carroll, JLL
- Jeff Courtwright, Lincoln Property Company
- Dan Easley, Bank of Texas
- Jeffrey Erxleben, NorthMarq Capital
- David Every, Sarofim Realty Advisors
- Steve Everbach, Colliers International
- Paul Geyer, Prudential Mortgage Capital Company
- Danny Hertel, KPMG
- Jim Johnson, BBVA Compass
- Kennis Ketchum, Portfolio Development
- Scott Krikorian, Trammell Crow Company
- Neal Sleeper, Cityplace Company
- Drew Steffen, Hines Southwest
- Kristian Teleki, Matthews Southwest
- Shawn Todd, Todd Interests

About The Real Estate Council (TREC)

As the largest and most influential organization of its kind in Texas, TREC represents more than 1,700 individual members and 500 companies, which make up 95 percent of the commercial real estate businesses in North Texas. Because commercial real estate is a vital driver of the Dallas-Fort Worth economy, producing approximately 1/6 of the area's economic output, TREC wields strong influence in the region.

TREC members are developers, builders, brokers, attorneys, architects, investment bankers, accountants, finance and title professionals and more. We help them open doors through networking events and educational programs. Other member benefits include professional and leadership development, continuing education and volunteer opportunities.

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