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**PARIS' CITY CLERK, STEPHANIE SETTLES NAMED
KENTUCKY MUNICIPAL CLERK OF THE YEAR FOR 2021**

Paris City Clerk, Stephanie Settles was announced as the Kentucky Municipal Clerks Association's (KMCA) Clerk of the Year for 2021. President Kathy Walker presented Ms. Settles with the prestigious award at KMCA's annual Spring Conference in Bowling Green, Kentucky on Thursday, April 22, 2021.

Ms. Settles was nominated by her regional association, the Bluegrass/Buffalo Trace/Gateway Municipal Clerks Association. Bluegrass President Lisa Cassity stated, "Stephanie takes it upon herself to provide exceptional professional support and service to the Bluegrass Region, KMCA, IIMC and the KLC Board."

Stephanie Settles has been the City Clerk since August 1, 2015 in Paris. City Manager, Daron Jordan relayed in his letter of support that, "Stephanie has been an integral part of our leadership team and has made a difference in our organization by using her skills, knowledge, and willingness to help others."

She has been a member of the KMCA since that time and has received her Certified Kentucky Municipal Clerk designation. As a member of the state association, she has volunteered on numerous committees, such as Public Relations, Scholarship, Bylaws and Legislation. She is the current Vice Chair of the Education Committee and has chaired the Legislation and Public Relations Committees.

Buffalo Trace President Lisa Dunbar said of Ms. Settles, "[She] exemplifies the municipal clerk spirit through enthusiasm, leadership, and hard work."

She also has earned her Certified Municipal Clerk designation from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) and she serves on their Election Committee.

As much as Ms. Settles does for her regional, state and international clerk associations, she constantly works to give back to her own community. She is currently a volunteer for Friends of CASA and serves on the Board of Directors for the Kentucky League of Cities. She has previously volunteered for the Paris-Bourbon County Tourism Commission, Paris-Bourbon County Chamber of Commerce, Relay for Life, Kiwanis Club of Paris in addition to serving as a youth basketball coach.

KMCA is a professional organization, providing opportunities and resources for professional development and continuing education. The KMCA provides its members with on-going educational opportunities designed to assist members in the performance of their daily job responsibilities and equip them to face the future with confidence. The Kentucky Municipal

Clerks Association sponsors certification programs and provides support to its members to impart standards of quality and integrity to the profession and to improve the methods and procedures which meet the needs of the public as efficiently and effectively as possible.

Stephanie is married to Tony Settles and they reside in Paris with their two (2) sons, Kenneth and Arlo. Congratulations to Stephanie on receiving her award and to all that she does for the City of Paris!

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