## Resolution



**ORDER NO: 2021-0522** 

**DATE: June 1, 2021** 

STATE OF TEXAS §

**COUNTY OF DALLAS §** 

BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 1st day of June 2021 on a motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District 1, and seconded by John Wiley Price, Commissioner District 3, the following Resolution was adopted:

- WHEREAS, Karen Kerr began her career with the Dallas County Juvenile Department in October 1982 as a Probation Officer. Ms. Kerr was promoted to District Supervisor in 1987 and served in that leadership role for 21 years; and
- WHEREAS, Karen Kerr has been a leader within the Dallas County Juvenile Department and was instrumental in the development of the Juvenile Probation Officer's Academy, including numerous innovative programs. She has contributed to the advancement of the Juvenile Department through her leadership; and
- WHEREAS, Karen Kerr was invited to move to Austin, Texas to join in the collaborative effort to build a new state-wide Juvenile Case Management System (JCMS); and
- WHEREAS, Karen Kerr returned to the Juvenile Department to lead the implementation of the JCMS and the eventual transition to TechShare Juvenile; and
- WHEREAS, Karen Kerr has led the effort to train and manage the use of TechShare by more than 30 Dallas County law enforcement agencies and Dallas County departments; and
- WHEREAS, Karen Kerr has volunteered her knowledge, talent and energy to serve on numerous vital departmental committees. She has served as the Chairperson of the Sunshine Committee which raises funds for retirement celebrations and the memorial wall at the Henry Wade Juvenile Justice Center; and
- WHEREAS, Karen Kerr has also volunteered her vision, time, skills and energy to the Dallas County Coalition of Community Justice Agencies since 2001; and
- WHEREAS, Karen Kerr has been a true community leader. She served on the Board of Directors for YMCA Camp Grady Spruce and was the first woman to serve as Chairperson of the board, and was elected as an Elder for the First Presbyterian Church of Dallas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby now and with a great sense of resolve, convey its best wishes to Karen Kerr as she celebrates 38 years of serving the citizens of Dallas County and makes way toward a well-deserved retirement effective June 4, 2021.

DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 1st day of June 2021.

Clay Lewis Jenkins

**County Judge** 

Dr. Theresa Daniel

Commissioner, District 1

Commissioner, District 2

John Wiley Price Commissioner, District 3

Dr. Elba Garcia Commissioner, District 4