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Deborah Morris Files for Garland Mayor

GARLAND, TEXAS — Deborah Morris, a three-term City Council member and longtime community leader, has officially filed to run for Mayor of Garland in the May 3rd election.

A Garland resident for 39 years, Morris stands apart for her proven ability to connect with citizens and deliver meaningful change. Endorsed by four former Garland mayors—Ron Jones, Bob Day, Jamie Ratliff, and Doug Athas—she has a deep network of support from residents and local businesses alike.

"I believe Garland's greatest strength is its people," said Morris. "As mayor, I will ensure their voices shape our city's future. I've spent decades listening to concerns, finding solutions, and proving that Garland's success comes from empowering its citizens—not just its government leaders."

Morris' legacy on the City Council is marked by action. Morris led initiatives to reduce costs for residents, including sidewalk repair programs, senior tax relief, and fair water rates for apartment residents. She improved government accessibility through requesting live phone translation services and closed-captioned videos, while advocating for public safety and neighborhood improvement programs.

Known for her hands-on approach, Morris opened an office on the Square during Downtown Garland's redevelopment to support local businesses and keep the area vibrant throughout construction.

Beyond the Council, Morris has a long history of community service. She led the public effort that saved a North Garland greenbelt (now part of the Rowlett Creek Preserve) as well as millions of tax dollars, served on the Building and Fire Codes Board, and was recognized as Volunteer of the Year by the Red Cross. Professionally, her popular book series, *Real Kids Real Adventures*—adapted as an Emmynominated TV series on the Discovery Channel—brought national attention to Garland.

As mayor, Morris aims to prioritize public safety, street and sidewalk improvements, quality of life initiatives, business growth, and strengthening Garland's regional presence. Morris' campaign is grounded in a simple yet powerful principle: the people of Garland deserve a leader who not only listens but acts on their behalf.

For more information, visit www.morrisforgarland.com