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**Mississippi River Parkway Commission
Honorary Membership Nomination**

State Commission: IOWA MISSISSIPPI RIVER PARKWAY COMMISSION

Name of Honoree: JANE REGAN, ALLAMAKEE COUNTY IOWA COMMISSIONER

Rationale: (Brief description of nominee's accomplishments. Use additional sheets if necessary)

Allamakee County MRPC Commissioner Jane Regan has faithfully served the Iowa MRPC for the last six years. During this time, she has served on the Marketing Committee where she served the last four years as chair. She has prepared ads for Travel Iowa and Eastern Iowa Tourism travel guides. In addition, she has purchased billboards and prepared and purchased ads for radio. Her first assignment was working on the Iowa website, the prior commission had purchased from a local vendor, trying to learn the system, inputting data and finally, determining it was impossible to use this web-site. She encouraged the commission to move forward and connect with Travel Iowa to manage our new website. She requested yearly, quarterly, and finally monthly reports so we may follow who is using the website. She has spent hours analyzing the results and the impact on Northeast Iowa tourism. Finally, she represented the Iowa MRPC as we have worked to set-up the National Geographic website. In addition, she provides thoughtful insight at commission meetings. She has served on the National MRPC Marketing Committee for six years sharing her business knowledge. When the Clayton County MRPC position was vacant, Jane again stepped up and represented both counties. She has also appeared before many groups in her county telling the story of the Great River Road including county supervisors, conservation board, and other public interest groups. During the last six years, she has also served as Treasure of the Iowa Mississippi River Parkway, Inc., Iowa's 501(c)(4). Her last community project was serving as co-chairman of the fund-raising committee for the Driftless Area Education and Visitor Center for the Allamakee County Conservation Foundation. Serving as a commissioner, heightened Commissioner Regan's interest in seeing the 2012 National Scenic Byway Grant used to promote the Driftless Area in Northeast Iowa by the completion of the Driftless Area Education and Visitor Center building project which is completely paid for. Finally, she has been an invaluable resource as the State of Iowa MRP Commission has planned this 2017 Annual MRPC meeting in her home county.

It is with great pride the Iowa Mississippi River Parkway Commission nominates Jane Regan for Honorary Membership on the Mississippi River Parkway Commission.

Recommended by the Iowa Mississippi River Parkway Commission on this 17th day of July 2017.

Attested to by State Chair Edith Reiss Pfeffer.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Nominations for Honorary Membership to the Mississippi River Parkway Commission must be received at the MRPC National Office by September 1, annually to be considered by the Nominating Committee.