

## **CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION**

## Angela Lewallen

TRAPS North Region

## Advocate of the Year

The Lewisville City Council would like to commend Angela Lewallen on receiving the Texas Recreation and Park Society North Region's Advocate of the Year.

A textbook definition of an earth warrior, park fan, and advocate, Angela is a Texas Master Naturalist, a veteran of the Parks Board and Blue Ribbon Committee, and a board member of the Friends of the Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area. Angela recently retired from her role as librarian at Central Elementary School and doubled down on her commitment to the children of Lewisville by merging her passion for teaching with her appreciation of nature. Leveraging her relationships with the City, LISD, and UNT, she helped establish *Natural Pathways*, giving students the opportunity to collaborate on research and restoration projects, with the goal of inspiring them to pursue environmental studies in college. A reliable and versatile volunteer, she continuously gives her time, talent, and resources to enhance the Lewisville park system and strengthen residents' connection to nature.

I, TJ Gilmore, Mayor of Lewisville, on behalf of the City Council extend a congratulations to Angela on this well-deserved honor and give thanks for her service to our community.

TJ Gilmore, Mayor City of Lewisville