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KUB Commissioner Herbert Reappointed

Celeste Herbert was sworn in to a second term as commissioner at the KUB Board meeting today in the Larry A. Fleming Board Room of KUB’s Miller’s Building. She was first appointed as a KUB Commissioner in January 2013 to fill the remainder of the term of former Commissioner Clarence Risin. She just completed a two year term as Chair of the Board.

Herbert received both her Bachelor’s Degree and Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Tennessee. She is currently an attorney in private practice in Knoxville with the firm of Herbert, Meadows, & Wall, an association of independent attorneys.

Herbert is a graduate of Leadership Knoxville class of 2006 and previously served on the Board of Directors of Leadership Knoxville and chaired the Nominating Committee. She is a member and past President of the Executive Women's Association, and former Chair of the Better Business Bureau. In addition, she previously served on the Boards of the YWCA and the Tanasi Girl Scout Council. Herbert was awarded the Thanks Badge, the highest award in Girl Scouts. She is a member of the American, Tennessee, and Knoxville Bar Associations. She is also a member of the Tennessee and Knoxville Bar Foundations. She was appointed by the Tennessee Supreme Court to serve on the Alternate Dispute Resolution Commission and the Tennessee Business Court Rules Advisory Commission.

During her time as Chair of the KUB Board of Commissioners, the board voted to expand the Round It Up program, which raises funds to assist Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee’s weatherization program, and accepted the Governor’s Environmental Stewardship Award (Outreach and Education Category) on behalf of KUB for an innovative Knoxville partnership for successful low-income weatherization assistance programs.

In addition to Herbert, other Board members include Dr. Jerry Askew, Kathy Hamilton, Sara Hedstrom Pinnell, Tyvi Small, Adrienne Simpson-Brown, and John Worden. At today’s meeting, the board also held an election of officers, with Hamilton elected Chair, Small elected Vice-Chair, and KUB Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Mark Walker elected secretary.

*KUB is a municipal utility serving Knox and parts of seven adjacent counties and provides electric, gas, water, and wastewater services to more than 459,000 customers.*

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