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Arapahoe County Commissioner Nancy N. Sharpe named Board Chair for 2012 *Commissioner Susan Beckman is Chair Pro Tem, Commissioner Nancy Jackson is Financial Officer*

LITTLETON, CO --- Arapahoe County Commissioner Nancy N. Sharpe has been named chair of the 2012 Board of County Commissioners with Commissioner Susan Beckman serving as Chair Pro Tem and Commissioner Nancy Jackson serving as Financial Officer.

Each year, the Arapahoe County Commissioners select officers to oversee the Board. The appointments, which were made during the Board's public hearing Tuesday, are effective through Jan. 8, 2013.

Sharpe, who represents District 2, which includes Centennial, Greenwood Village, a small portion of Aurora and unincorporated central Arapahoe County, is serving her first, four-year term. She served as Board Chair Pro Tem in 2011 and prior to being elected Commissioner, served 16 years representing the City of Greenwood Village, including seven years as mayor.

"I'm honored to serve as Board Chair and look forward to leading this organization in 2012," Sharpe said. "We have an outstanding county, dedicated and hard-working employees and a Board of County Commissioners and team of Elected Officials who are committed and focused on keeping our county financially strong and providing quality services to the citizens of Arapahoe County."

Among her goals for 2012, Sharpe says she wants to continue to focus on economic development in cooperation with cities, economic development organizations and chambers of commerce to attract quality jobs and to ensure the long term financial stability for Arapahoe County.

Beckman, who represents District 1, was named Chair Pro Tem. Beckman represents western Arapahoe County and the communities of Bow Mar, Cherry Hills Village, Columbine Valley, Englewood, Littleton, portions of Centennial and unincorporated north Arapahoe County. Beckman was first elected to the Board in 2001 and served as Board Chair in 2003, 2007, 2008 and 2009. She served as Financial Officer in 2011.

Jackson, who represents District 4, which includes the unincorporated area in north central Arapahoe County and portions of Aurora, was named Financial Officer. Jackson is serving her first term as Commissioner.

In addition to Sharpe, Beckman and Jackson, the remaining members of the Board include Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld, who is serving his second term representing District 3 and new Commissioner Bill L. Holen, representing District 5, who was sworn in Jan. 3 to fill the remaining year of Commissioner Frank Weddig's term. Weddig resigned Feb. 3 to spend more time with his family.

To learn more about the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners, or to find out which commissioner represents you, visit the County's web site at www.co.arapahoe.co.us and click on departments, Commissioners' Office.

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Media Note: Individual portraits of the 2012 Board of County Commissioners are available for download by clicking on the County's FTP server at: <ftp://www.co.arapahoe.co.us/Pub/CM/Commissioners/>