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News Release

City Manager Announces Retirement

West Carrollton City Manager, G. Tracy Williams, has advised the City Council that he will retire at the end of the year. Williams has been the city manager of West Carrollton since September 1977. Williams' career in public service spans 37 years.

Prior to coming to West Carrollton he was a city manager in Colorado. He also held city management positions in Arizona and California. Williams served in the Army from 1969-71. He has a B.S. degree in Regional Urban Planning from Ball State University and a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree from Brigham Young University. He also did post graduate studies in the Doctor of Public Administration Program at the University of Colorado in Denver and attended the Senior Executive Institute, Center for Public Service, at the University of Virginia. Williams was awarded the International City/County Management Association's Certificate in Management and is currently recognized as a Credentialed Manager by ICMA.

Williams has served in many positions including Advisor to Vidin, Bulgaria in association with the Bulgarian Foundation for Local Government Reform; Adjunct Professor at the Center for Urban and Public Affairs, Wright State University; Government Assistance Program Facilitator with the Ohio Commission on Dispute Resolution and Conflict Management; and currently is serving as the ICMA Senior Advisor/State Liaison for Ohio.

He is a member of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA), Ohio City/County Management Association (OCMA) and the American Public Works Association. He is the recipient of two Management Innovation Awards and an Award for Program Excellence from ICMA. He is a member of the Legislative Policy Committee for the Ohio Municipal League.

He has served as President of the Dayton Area Managers, the Ohio City/County Management Association, and the West Carrollton Rotary Club. Williams is a recipient of the Career Achievement Award from OCMA and was recognized as Public Manager of the Year for the Miami Valley by the Dayton Area Managers in 2002. He was

inducted into the Distinguished Hall of Fame by the West Carrollton Education Foundation. Williams is a strong supporter of Scouting and was awarded the Wood Badge by Boy Scouts of America for leadership training.

Williams is a native of Mishawaka, Indiana. His wife, Karen, is a retired attorney. They have two children and three grandchildren.

Williams said, "I have greatly enjoyed my 30 years of service to the citizens of West Carrollton and am especially thankful for the many dedicated city employees who do an excellent job of providing municipal services to the community." He said, "It has been a privilege to be associated with elected leaders who truly strive to improve the community and provide the best possible service to the citizens. West Carrollton has a great tradition of stability and progressive government."

He expressed gratitude to all the volunteers who serve on boards and commissions and in many other civic organizations. He expressed appreciation for the businesses in West Carrollton and for the excellent intergovernmental relations with area jurisdictions, the school district, county, state and federal agencies. Williams said he has a great deal of respect and gratitude for the citizens of West Carrollton. Williams said, "I am thankful for the support my wife and family have given me."

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