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## **Clermont County Commissioner Serves as Treasurer of Regional Council**

**Cincinnati, Ohio** – President of the Clermont County Commissioners, Mary Walker, has been reelected Treasurer of the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI) for 2006. This is the fourth year she will hold this distinguished position.

“OKI is where it happens for this region” said Walker. “Transportation is key in making sure this region continues to grow and grows in the right way. This is an important year for our region. My goal is to continue to aggressively promote economic development as well as our work on the Eastern Corridor Project.”

Walker began her tenure as a Clermont County Commissioner in January of 2001 and currently serves as president of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). She was recently named to the National Association of Counties (NACo) Board of Directors to serve as one of two representatives from the State of Ohio. Walker continues to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees of the County Commissioners' Association of Ohio (CCAO). She is a resident of Union Township

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and served seven years as a Union Township Trustee and was an eight year member of the Union Township Zoning Commission.

“Commissioner Walker puts the needs of the region above all else” said Mark Policinski, Executive Director of OKI. “Her experience living and working in one of the fastest growing counties in Ohio means she is keenly aware of the link between transportation and economic development. She will play a vital role in assuring we always make that connection.”

Formed in 1964, OKI has spent 42 years cultivating partnerships and alliances that range from the federal government to local councils. The 103 members who form the OKI Board of Trustees represent governmental, social and civic groups from 198 communities in the eight county, three-state region. The Board is lead by the Officers including Judge/Executive Gary W. Moore, President; Trustee Christine Matacic, First Vice President; Judge/Executive Steve Pendery, Second Vice President; Commissioner Mary Walker, Treasurer; and Mark Policinski, Secretary/Executive Director.

OKI is a council of local governments, business organizations and community groups committed to developing collaborative strategies, plans and programs to improve the quality of life and the economic development potential of the Tri-State.

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