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Wayne Thorburn Commissioner 512-465-3900 Dear Mr. Weinberg:

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Effective December 1, 2003, the Texas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board (TALCB) and the Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC) modified their memorandum of understanding to establish that the Administrator of TREC would also serve as Commissioner of TALCB. This combination of responsibilities will allow the maximum effective use of TALCB's limited appropriations and help to reduce the duplication of effort by the staff of the two agencies.

While the TALCB Board Members will continue to have full rulemaking, licensing, certification, and disciplinary authority of their own licensees, the TREC Administrator will have responsibility for supervision of all TALCB staff and oversight of all expenditures within a TALCB approved budget and appropriations. As Commissioner, I will report to and perform these duties under the Appraiser Board and be responsible for the operations of the agency.

For the past six years I have served as Administrator of TREC, during which time the agency has developed a reputation for quality customer service, positive staff relations, innovative licensee programs, and increased online capabilities. I am convinced that the existing close working relationship between TREC and TALCB will be enhanced by this move, resulting in the highest level of service to our licensees and the public.

I look forward to working with you over the coming year as I assume this new responsibility. Please do not hesitate to write, telephone, or email me at <u>wayne.thorburnctalcb.state.tx.us</u> if you have recommendations or I can be of assistance in any way. All best wishes for an enjoyable holiday season and a most productive new year.

Sincerely.

Wayne Thorburn