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**SHELLY M. WHITE NAMED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
THE FRIENDS OF TRINITY STRAND TRAIL**

DALLAS (October 27, 2008) - Shelly M. White has been named Executive Director of The Friends of Trinity Strand Trail. Trinity Strand is a non-profit organization with a mission to build a hike/bike commuter and recreational trail that provides access to the Trinity River Corridor by connecting with the Katy Trail.

White, 38, will be responsible for managing all operational functions including strategic plan implementation, membership development, fundraising, agency partnerships, program development and evaluation. She will also supervise financial management of the organization along with marketing and public relations. White most recently was with Bailey Crowe & Kugler, LLP as Controller.

"It's a big milestone for the Friends of Trinity Strand Trail to hire our first Executive Director and we're thrilled that Shelly has accepted the challenge," said Mike Kutner, Friends of Trinity Strand Trail Chairman of the Board.

"I was born and raised in Dallas, and I have seen the city grow and change tremendously. I look forward to taking an active part in the development of the Trinity Strand Trail and our city's landscape," said White.

White has a Master's of Business Administration from Southern Methodist University and a Bachelor's of Business Administration from Texas Christian University.

About Trinity Strand Trail

The Trinity Strand Trail mission is to build a 7.8- mile hike/bike commuter and recreational trail providing Dallas citizens access to the Trinity River by connecting with the Katy Trail. The trail will consist of 5.6 miles of paved trail and 2.2 miles of soft surface trail connecting with other trails, bridges and sidewalks with a build-out cost of \$16 million. The trail will provide new recreational paths as well as an easy commute to the Trinity River Corridor with DART and TRE access nearby. Environmental restoration during construction will return the original Trinity River channel to its native wildlife habitat. For more information, see trinitystrand.org.

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