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Independent Cattlemen's Association Elects New President

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AUSTIN, TX - The Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas (ICA) elected and installed Mr. Kerry Wiggins of Travis County to succeed Mr. Brad Cotton of Wilson County as President and Chairman of the organization for a term of two-years.

A testament to the success of Texas' youth agriculture programs, Wiggins entered the cattle industry at childhood after participating in the Trinity Valley Exposition Calf Scramble. Wiggins used his winnings to purchase a bull for use on his father's commercial cow herd in exchange for a percentage of the calf crop. As a young man, his passion for the cattle business continued to grow. In addition to assisting in the management of his father's operation, Wiggins assembled his own commercial cow-calf operation, running roughly two hundred head on leased land in Liberty County. In 1973, Wiggins made the decision to liquidate his herd in Liberty County to fund his undergraduate studies at Sam Houston State University. From there, he pursued a graduate degree in banking from Louisiana State University -Baton Rouge.

Since that time, Wiggins has spent the entirety of his 46-year professional career excelling in the commercial banking industry. He currently is a Senior Vice President and the Chief Credit Officer at Horizon Bank in Austin, TX where he is responsible for credit approval and a portfolio quality of greater than one billion dollars.

Wiggins is presently a Board member of Rodeo Austin, formerly serving as Rodeo Austin President in 2007. Currently, Wiggins is partnered with Mr. Curtis Calhoun in Cal Wig Ranch LLC., a commercial Brangus cow-calf operation located in Milam County.

The members of Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas are grateful for Mr. Wiggins willingness to serve and excited for his leadership of the organization moving forward