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## **JILL SOMMERS JOINS ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION**

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**WASHINGTON; July 8, 2015** -- The Eisenhower Memorial Commission (EMC) today announced that Jill Sommers, a highly-respected financial regulator, has joined the Commission's Advisory Committee. The committee consists of a number of distinguished Americans, all of whom are dedicated to ensuring that the National Eisenhower Memorial is constructed in Washington, DC.

Ms. Sommers commented, "For a Kansan, there is no greater honor than to be part of the effort to ensure that our state's Favorite Son is memorialized in Washington, D.C. for centuries to come. This great memorial will ensure that my children and young people from around the globe will learn about Ike's myriad accomplishments as a Kansan, a military leader, and a great President for generations to come."

A native of Fort Scott, Kansas, Ms. Sommers graduated from the University of Kansas, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. In 1991, she began her career in Washington working for Senator Robert J. Dole (R-KS). In addition to her work in the United States Senate, she served as a legislative aide for two Washington-based consulting firms specializing in agricultural issues as well as Managing Director for the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and Head of Government Affairs for the International Swaps and Derivatives Association.

Ms. Sommers was nominated by Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, and was twice confirmed by the United States Senate, to serve two consecutive terms as a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CTFC). She ended her tenure on the CTFC in July 2013 after six years of service.

Currently, Ms. Sommers is a member of the Board of Directors and serves as Chairman of the Audit Committee for BATS Global Markets, and is a public representative on the Board of Directors for the National Futures Association. In 2014, she was appointed to the Board of Managers for Allston Holdings LLC. She is also a senior advisor to Patomak Global Partners, a financial services consultancy group based in Washington, D.C.

Senator Roberts commented, "I couldn't be more delighted that Jill has agreed to serve on the Memorial's Advisory Committee. In addition to being a proud Kansan, she has served in government, earning a stellar reputation in a tough and complicated field. She is a wonderful addition to the EMC Advisory Committee."

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