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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

#### **Ozarks Regional YMCA Announces Erin Shaw as District Executive**

The Ozarks Regional YMCA welcomes new District Executive Erin Shaw to the Ozarks Regional YMCA association.

Erin will be primarily responsible for the Roy Blunt YMCA of Bolivar operations and growth and will provide leadership to the Dallas County YMCA in Buffalo and the Ozark Mountain YMCA in Hollister. She comes to us with more than 14 years of YMCA experience, and most recently served at the YMCA of Greater Houston, as Youth Development Senior Director.

"Erin is an excellent asset to our organization and we are pleased she has chosen to serve at the Ozarks Regional YMCA. She brings a wealth of experience and knowledge that will be essential as we continue to grow and serve our communities," said Steve Gimenez, CEO.

"It is an honor to be a part of the Bolivar, Buffalo and Ozark Mountain Community and participate in an organization that promotes the core values and character building that is taught at the YMCA. I look forward to continuing my Y career here and living in this great community," said Shaw.

#### **Welcome Reception**

**Date: Tuesday, February 10**

**Time: 11a.m. – 1p.m.**

**Location: CMH Community Room**

*The Ozarks Regional YMCA has served the community for more than 125 years and has more than 25,000 members in the association and hopes to engage more people in the communities it serves whether it is as a member, volunteer, supporter or advocate. To learn more about our program, facilities, and how you can get involved, visit [orymca.org](http://orymca.org), or join us on Facebook. We are for Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility. The Ozarks Regional YMCA consists of eight family centers including, The Ozark Mountain Branch in Hollister, Roy Blunt YMCA of Bolivar, Dallas County YMCA in Buffalo, Monett Area YMCA, Cassville YMCA, Lebanon Family YMCA, Summer Resident Camp Wakonda, Child Care and two facilities in Springfield.*

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