



### **MELODY CURREY**

#### **COMMISSIONER, DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES – STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

Melody A. Currey was appointed as Commissioner of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) on January 7, 2015. DAS houses a number of distinct programs that share the common goal of providing timely, fair, competent, cost-effective services to address the needs of state agencies, municipalities, private industry, and the public. As Commissioner, Ms. Currey leads DAS's efforts to fulfill its core functions:

- **Protect the public and the State** by developing and enforcing state building and fire codes, conducting inspections and providing training across the state, maintaining IT and physical premises security, and insuring and managing risk related to state buildings, employees, and other assets;
- **Reduce costs by eliminating redundancy through centralized services** such as collections, technology, construction services, procurement and other administrative functions;
- **Utilize specialized skills and expertise to assist agencies** to lower overall statewide costs, maximize revenues and create efficiencies; and
- **Foster economic growth in the State** through the timely management and completion of state building and public school construction projects.
- **Established School Building Standards and Guidelines for Construction of Public Schools** to ensure safe, adequate and effective teaching environments for students across the State.

Prior to serving as the Commissioner of DAS, she served four successful years as the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

In 2005, Commissioner Currey was elected as the Mayor of East Hartford, CT and served from 2005 until 2011. Among her successes as Mayor, Commissioner Currey worked with the elected officials to develop and implement an energy conservation program and brought collaboration among town agencies and state officials to obtain significant economic development incentives.

Before serving as Mayor, Commissioner Currey served in the Connecticut House of Representatives for 13 years representing East Hartford. Four of those years she served as Deputy Majority Leader and six as Deputy Speaker of the House.

Melody Currey was born in Margaretville, New York and spent the earliest years of her life in Downsville, New York. She graduated with a Regents Diploma from Bethlehem Senior Central High School in Delmar, New York and attended the State University of New York at Cobleskill where she majored in Business Administration. She married her husband Donald in 1971 and moved to East Hartford in 1978. She has three children and six grandchildren.