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***New City Profile* Episode—Mayor Gayle Kaler**

PADUCAH, KY—"I do think Paducah is progressive. I say progressive means people who are willing to take a chance." After serving three terms as City Commissioner, Gayle Kaler took the chance and ran for mayor. She was elected in November 2012, beginning her term January 1, 2013. In this episode of *City Profile*, Tom Butler, West Kentucky Community & Technical College Television Production Coordinator, interviews Mayor Kaler about her first term as mayor. Mayor Kaler talks about the difference in serving as commissioner versus serving as mayor. She also explains Paducah's form of government. Much of the episode focuses on large issues affecting the area including the transition of the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant.

Mayor Kaler complements the City Commission which has two incumbents along with two new commissioners. Mayor Kaler says, "We want people on the commission who speak their minds and have their positions but work closely together. We have to work as a team to make things happen in Paducah. Compromise is very important for all of us."

Regarding the future of the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant, Mayor Kaler wants the community to "make some noise" so that the federal government, especially the Department of Energy (DOE), will provide clean up funding and a redevelopment plan for the plant. "I want us to have some national press on this. I just feel that DOE doesn't have the sense of urgency that we have here in this community."

Mayor Kaler also discusses the status of the development of a hotel adjacent to the Julian Carroll Convention Center, the Riverfront Redevelopment Project, and the Ohio River Boat Launch Project.

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