



## TERRY HERSHEY BAYOU STEWARDSHIP AWARD 2022 NOMINATION FORM

Each year, the prestigious **Terry Hershey Bayou Stewardship Award** recognizes members in the community who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to aiding in the conservation, preservation, restoration and/or advocacy of Houston's waterways. Nominees can be from the non-profit, public, or private sectors. The recipients will be honored at **Bayou Preservation Association's 2022 Luncheon on Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**, at the **Junior League of Houston**.

Bayou Preservation Association established the **Terry Hershey Bayou Stewardship Award** in 2010 in honor of Terry Hershey, co-founder of the Bayou Preservation Association. Hershey first got involved in what would become her life's work in 1966 when she noticed an area along Buffalo Bayou ravaged by fallen trees and bulldozed undergrowth. She learned that the Harris County Flood Control District and the Army Corps of Engineers were in the process of rerouting Buffalo Bayou without public notice. Hershey mobilized neighbors and community organizations and after a period of public outcry, the Harris County Commissioners Court agreed to a six-month moratorium on the project. It was then that Hershey turned to her newly elected congressman, George H.W. Bush. Interested in the campaign, Bush invited Hershey to testify before Congress. Hershey and her fellow campaigners conducted community education campaigns and continued to challenge the Army Corps of Engineers, the Harris County Flood Control District and the Commissioners Court until their efforts finally succeeded in 1971 with the passage of the National Environmental Policy Act, which required the Army Corps of Engineers to gather public input and prepare environmental impact statements before moving forward on significant projects. With feedback from the community, the Corps finally canceled the project to reroute Buffalo Bayou.

Hershey was a leading environmental activist in the Houston area for several decades. She had a role in forming numerous environmental organizations in the state, including the Bayou Preservation Association. The nominee should be passionate and committed to conservation as our great Terry Hershey.

To nominate an individual for the **Terry Hershey Bayou Stewardship Award**, please fill out the following information:

**Nominator Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Category:**     Non-Profit         Public Sector         Private Sector

**Reason for Consideration of Award:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Contact Information:**

**Nominator Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization/Company Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization/Company Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization/Company Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization/Company Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please return by email, July 15, 2022, to info@bayoupreservation.org.