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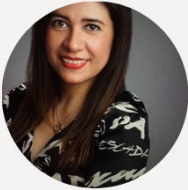
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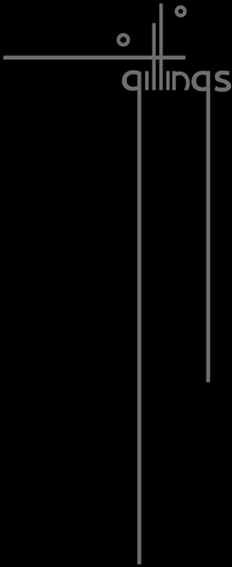
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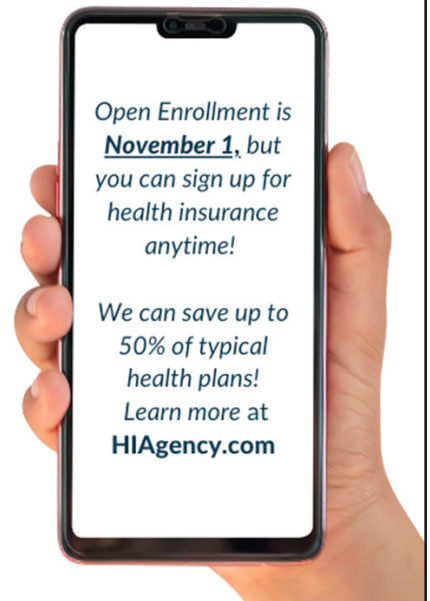
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# MEET CHARLES

## *One Man's Story*

### OF LOVE, COMMUNITY AND FAMILY

#### INTRODUCTION

Embarking on my Dallas adventure from my beloved Mississippi, I found myself drawn to the allure of big city living. Dallas, with its vibrant energy and diverse offerings, became the canvas for the next chapter of my life. In 2010, after nearly two decades in my career as a TV news anchor and reporter in Oklahoma City, a layoff prompted a leap of faith. Dallas, a city I had always dreamed of calling home, beckoned with promises of entertainment, professional sports, great restaurants, and convenient travel connections via its major airports. Moreover, the mere six-hour drive to my family in Mississippi added a comforting closeness.

#### LANDING IN DALLAS

My first Dallas residence was in the Enclave at Grove Hill, a dreamlike community where David Weekley's homes stood as testaments to quality craftsmanship. The two-story haven, boasting nearly 3,000 square feet, four bedrooms, and charming front and backyards, became more than just a house — it was my sanctuary in the heart of Dallas. The gated community, guided by a proactive HOA, not only ensured security, but also fostered a sense of camaraderie through many fun organized events.

As life unfolded, so did my housing journey. A brief stint in a one-bedroom apartment near downtown Dallas marked a chapter of change. However, the beckoning call of homeownership led me to Tenison Village at Buckner Terrace, a hidden gem



located south of I-30 between Ferguson and Jim Miller Road.


Here, three distinguished builders — Pulte, Mattamy, and Ashton Woods — were shaping a neighborhood that was soon to capture my heart. It was so hard to select a builder in the neighborhood because all of the products were appealing. They have a townhome look but are single family homes. All of the builders offer homes that have great style and architectural details. Some even have a NYC brownstone feel and lots of charm.

Pulte's traditional charm, exemplified in the Rybrook model, best resonated with my vision of a perfect home. The 2,449 square feet of space, the thoughtful layout, and the community's southern charm with front and backyards spoke directly to my sense of family and belonging.



A NEW HOME AND A NEW LIFE

Closing on the sale in May, I had just one day to move into my new haven. By September’s end, I had transformed it into a reflection of my heart and soul. Living in Tenison Village for a mere three months had already fostered many friendships with neighbors who radiated a true sense of family and community spirit.

From the dreamy beginnings in the Enclave at Grove Hill to the current hidden gem of Tenison Village at Buckner Terrace, these neighborhoods, shaped by builders like David Weekley and Pulte Homes, have become more than physical spaces — they are the backdrop to a life filled with love, resilience, and an overwhelming sense of belonging. Each chapter is etched with the warmth of family ties and the joy of creating lasting memories in the heart of Dallas. 



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# PAULINE MEDRANO

## *Gal Pal of the Month*

### A BEACON OF COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND LGBTQ+ ADVOCACY IN DALLAS

#### INTRODUCTION

In the vibrant and diverse landscape of Dallas, Texas, Pauline Medrano stands out as a steadfast advocate for community service and a champion for the LGBTQ+ community. Currently serving as Dallas County Treasurer, Medrano's journey into public service began with a deep-seated commitment to social justice and community well-being. Born and raised in Dallas, Medrano's early exposure to family values and a strong sense of community instilled in her a desire to make a positive impact in the lives of those around her. Her nephew, Adam Medrano, plays a crucial role in understanding the family's commitment to community service. As an openly gay individual, Adam Medrano has become an influential voice in the LGBTQ+ community of Dallas, actively contributing to various social causes.

#### A REMARKABLE JOURNEY

Pauline's political career took a significant turn when she served as a Dallas City Councilwoman, representing District 2, one of the most vibrant and active LGBTQ+ districts in Dallas. During this time, her commitment to the LGBTQ+ community became evident as she actively collaborated with community leaders, organizations, and advocates to create an environment that celebrates diversity and inclusivity.

Medrano's involvement in LGBTQ+ initiatives has gone far beyond the formalities of policy-making. She has attended pride events, engaged with LGBTQ+ organizations, and

amplified the voices of the community members. Her advocacy has been marked by a genuine commitment to the well-being and progress of the LGBTQ+ community in Dallas.



This commitment is not just political; it is deeply rooted in family values. Adam Medrano, as a prominent figure in the LGBTQ+ community, has been vocal about his experiences and the importance of family support. With Pauline at its helm, the Medrano family has served as an inspiring example of embracing diversity and championing the rights of all individuals, regardless of their sexual orientation.

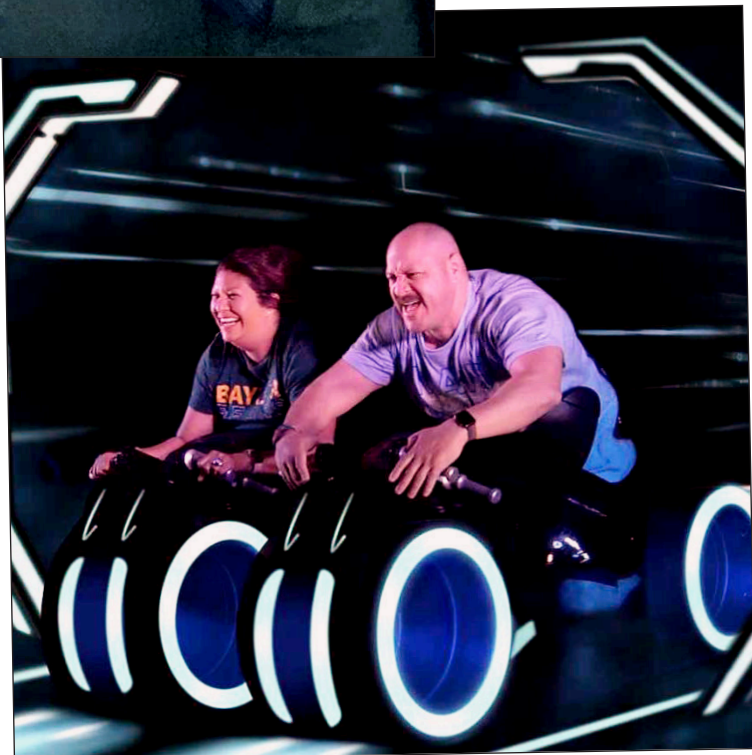


## A FRIEND AND ALLY

As the current Dallas County Treasurer, Pauline Medrano manages the financial affairs of the county, ensuring responsible and transparent fiscal practices. Despite the focus on financial matters, her approach to the role is marked by a keen awareness of the diverse needs of the population. Whether it's allocating resources for social services or addressing economic disparities, Pauline's commitment to the well-being of all residents is evident in her work.

In recognition of her enduring spirit and commitment to creating a more tolerant and compassionate society, Pauline Medrano has been nominated as the Gal Pal of the Month for the month of January by The Gab magazine. This acknowledgment speaks volumes about her impact on the LGBTQ+ community and her status as a role model for inclusivity and acceptance.

Pauline Medrano's journey from a City Councilwoman representing one of Dallas's most vibrant LGBTQ+ districts to her current role as Dallas County Treasurer reflects a life dedicated to community service and advocacy. Her impact goes far beyond the political sphere, resonating in the values of inclusivity and acceptance instilled in her family. In the heart of Dallas, Pauline Medrano's legacy is one of community spirit, advocacy, and a steadfast commitment to making the city a better place for everyone. 







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