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**PORT COMMISSION APPOINTS NEW REPRESENTATIVE
TO BRAZORIA-FORT BEND RAIL DISTRICT BOARD**

FREEPORT, TX (October 29, 2018) – Brian Devine, founder of Brian’s BBQ in Clute and resident of West Columbia, has been appointed by the Port Freeport Commission to serve on the Brazoria-Fort Bend Rail District Board. The Rail District (BFBRD) was established in January 2015 to create, finance, maintain and operate a proposed freight rail connector between Freeport and Rosenberg. The BFBRD is managed by a six-member board comprised of two representatives from each of the appointing organizations: Brazoria County, Fort Bend County, and Port Freeport. Dan Croft, Chairman of the Board, and the newly appointed Brian Devine represent Port Freeport.

“As the Brazoria-Fort Bend Rail District continues to progress, I look forward to being engaged in the process and to serve my community as a director on the Rail District to the best of my ability,” said Brian Devine.

Brian Devine and his wife, Mary Ann, owned and operated Brian's Bar-B-Q in Clute for 30 years. Brian is active in the community in various capacities. He served six years on the Brazosport Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, three of those on the executive board. Brian has been recognized by the Knights of Columbus as the Knight of the Year and was inducted into the Brazoria County Business Hall of Fame.

“The Port Commission is pleased that Mr. Devine accepted the position to serve as a director on the board for the Brazoria-Fort Bend Rail District on behalf of Port Freeport,” said Port Freeport Commission Chairman, Paul Kresta. “His community involvement and business acumen make him a strong addition to the Rail District board.”

Nationally, Port Freeport is ranked 10th in chemicals, 26th in containers and 23rd in total tonnage. The Freeport Harbor Channel serves The Dow Chemical Company, Phillips 66, BASF, Tenaris, Vulcan

Materials Company, Mammoet, Horizon Terminal Services, Freeport LNG, Riviana Foods, Inc., Dole Fresh Fruit, Chiquita Fresh N.A., Seaway Pipeline Company and Seaway Marine Terminal, CMA CGM, Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) and Hoegh Autoliners.

For additional information regarding the Brazoria–Fort Bend Rail District, please visit www.bfbrd.org. Port Freeport is committed to keeping the local community informed of our operation and results. If you have questions or comments about this article, please email or call Lauren McCormick, Public Affairs Manager.

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