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### PORT FREEPORT ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT RAISES RECORD AMOUNT

**FREEPORT, TX (December 10, 2018)** –During the November 29<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Port Commission and staff presented a check in the amount of \$52,880 to Bobby Fuller, Director of Texas Port Ministry from the proceeds of the Annual Port Freeport Golf Tournament held October 22, 2018 at The Wilderness Golf Course in Lake Jackson. Located in Freeport, Texas Port Ministry has provided spiritual, social and physical care to the Freeport Harbor Community since 1974.

“The services provided by Texas Port Ministry are important to the well-being of seafarers that live and work on ships calling the terminals located on the Freeport Harbor Channel. As the Port continues to expand, the need for their services grows as well. We are honored to have hosted another successful tournament for their benefit through the generosity of our Port partners, as well as local businesses within the navigation district,” said Port Freeport Executive Director/CEO Phyllis Saathoff.

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Port Freeport Golf Tournament proceeds will assist Texas Port Ministry in providing services to mariners and truckers that come into contact with the Freeport Harbor Channel community. Texas Port Ministry is a 501(c)(3) funded solely from contributions and donations. To learn more about Texas Port Ministry, please visit [www.texasportministry.org](http://www.texasportministry.org).

“Each year the tournament proceeds have exceeded the prior year, and this year was no exception,” said Port Commission Chairman Paul Kresta. “On behalf of the Port Commission, I would like to thank Texas Port Ministry for the services they provide, as well as the sponsors, volunteers, and staff for their contribution to the tournament.”

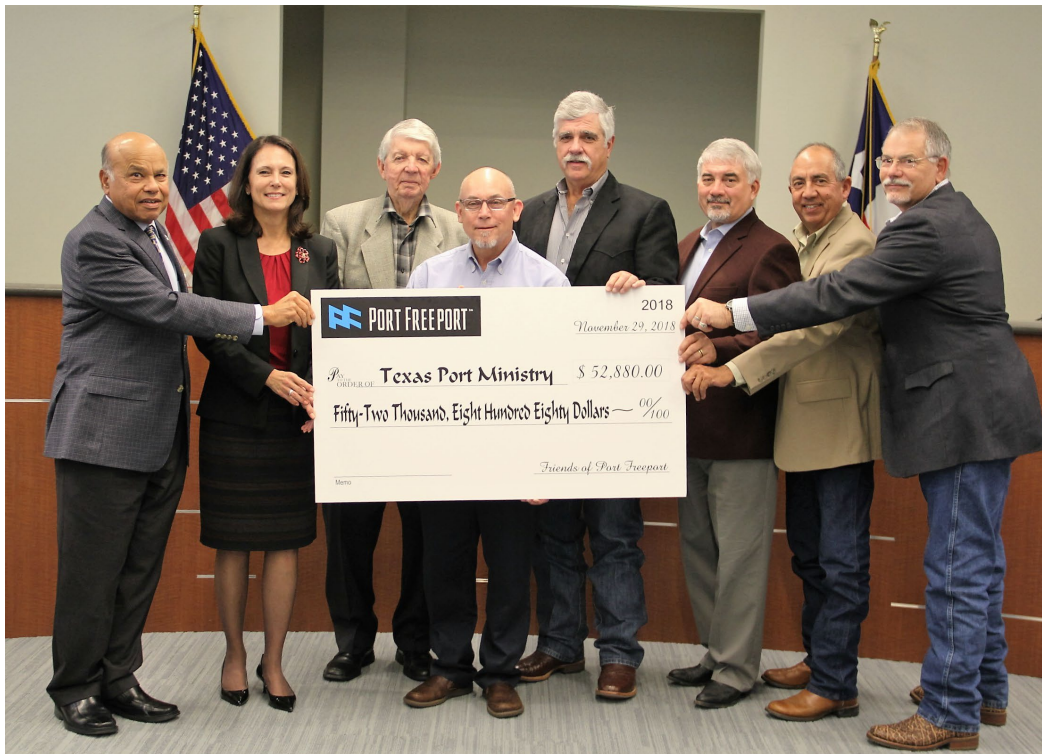
The success of the tournament is contributed to efforts of the staff, dedication of volunteers, and the generosity of sponsors and participants. The event was made possible by 80 sponsors and many individuals.

*Title* – Port Freeport; *Hole-In-One* - Classic Chevrolet; *Elite* – Phillips 66; *Platinum* - Freeport LNG, Gulf Stream Marine, HDR Engineering, Inc., Horizon Terminal Services, Vector Contracting, Inc., Vulcan Materials Co.; *Gold* - BASF Corporation; *Silver* - Bay Area Fire & Safety, Bay-Houston Towing Co, DOW Chemical Company, MEGlobal, Tegrity Homes, Tolunay-Wong Engineers, Inc.; *Bronze* – Associated Testing Laboratories, Barry Conge Harris, LLP & Port Commissioner John Hoss, Ceres Gulf, Inc., Classic Chevrolet, Cordoba Law Firm, PLLC, Dole Fresh Fruit, Mammoet, Ports America, RABA Kistner Consultants, Red Hook Terminals, Signet Maritime Corp.; *Tent and Hole* – Crouch Environmental Services, KCG Industrial, LJA Engineering, Inc., Teal Construction Co.;

*Putting Green* – Brazos Pilot Association, Doyle & Wachtstetter, Inc., International Longshoreman Association, Promotions Unlimited, Sprint Waste, WSP USA, Inc., *Lunch* - Bracewell, LLP, Freeport Mooring & Marine & Freeport Launch; *Hole* - Baystar Group, Blank Rome, LLP., Brazosport Tire Company, City of Freeport, Freeport Launch, Freeport Mooring & Marine, Freeport Police Department, Gallagher & Co., I.L.A. #30, Judge Matt Sebesta & Commissioner Donald Payne, Kennemer, Masters & Lunsford, LLC, Kile Consulting, Killum Pest Control, La Casona, Leschaco, Inc., Masterson Advisors, LLC., Mindy Welch, Coldwell Bankers, Port Commissioner Ravi Singhania, Port Commissioner Shane Pirtle, Port Freeport Employees, Sorrell Construction, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Suderman & Young Towing Co., Sunstates Security, LLC, Terracon Consultants, Inc., Tim Keefe StateFarm, US AutoLogistics, Vernor Material & Equipment, West Gulf Maritime Association, WSP USA, Inc.; *Sponsor Donations* - Baystar Group, BBC Chartering, Blueline Shop, Classic Chevrolet, Dole Fresh Fruit, Evco, Gary and Denice Foose, Gulftex Vending and Services, Inc., Honda of Lake Jackson, The Honey Baked Ham Co., Masterson Advisors, LLC., M & G Trailer Ranch, MSR Houston, Nationwide Insurance, On the River Restaurant, Sorrell Construction, Texas Gulf Bank, Texas Port Ministry, Texas Roadhouse, The Wilderness, Vernor Materials & Equipment.

Nationally, Port Freeport is ranked 10<sup>th</sup> in chemicals, 26<sup>th</sup> in containers and 23<sup>rd</sup> 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, Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC), and Hoegh Autoliners.

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**PHOTO OUTLINE: Port Commission presents check to Bobby Fuller, Director of Texas Port Ministry.**