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### **14th ANNUAL PORT FREEPORT GOLF TOURNAMENT HOLES RECORD PROCEEDS FOR TEXAS PORT MINISTRY**

**FREEPORT, TX (November 26, 2025)** – Port Freeport’s Commission and staff proudly presented a \$93,000 check to Texas Port Ministry (TPM) during the Port Commission meeting held Nov. 20, 2025. The contribution represents proceeds from the 14th Annual Port Freeport Golf Tournament hosted by Port Freeport that will directly support TPM’s mission to provide spiritual, social, and physical care to seafarers, truck drivers, and port workers who rely on their services.

The tournament, held Oct. 27 at The Wilderness Golf Course in Lake Jackson, featured a single-flight scramble and brought together more than 80 sponsors, teams, and volunteers from across the maritime transportation industry and local business community. This year’s event carries special meaning as Port Freeport celebrates its Centennial, reflecting 100 years of service, partnership, and community engagement.

“Each year, our golf tournament brings together organizations and individuals who share a commitment to supporting those who keep commerce moving through our region,” said Port Commission Chairman Rob Giesecke. “In our Centennial year, it is especially meaningful to see our community rally behind Texas Port Ministry. We are grateful to every sponsor, team, and volunteer who helped make this event another tremendous success.”

Founded in 1974, Texas Port Ministry serves the Freeport Harbor Channel community with a dedicated team of more than 40 volunteers from 20 area churches. TPM provides critical services, including port-wide transportation, comfort stations, and communications areas. Annually, the ministry supports more than 20,000 international seafarers from over 50 countries, approximately

150,000 truck drivers from across North America, and numerous local port workers. TPM is funded entirely through donations.

“Texas Port Ministry plays an essential role in supporting the people who work in and travel to our port from across the globe,” said Phyllis Saathoff, Executive Director and CEO of Port Freeport. “We are proud to continue partnering with an organization that embodies our community through service, compassion, and unbiased hospitality. My sincere thanks go to our sponsors, players, and volunteers for helping us deliver another outstanding tournament during this milestone year for Port Freeport.”

Port Freeport extends its appreciation to all sponsors, teams, and volunteers who contributed to the success of the 14th Annual Port Freeport Golf Tournament.

*Platinum Sponsors* – Enterprise Products, McCarthy Building Companies; *Gold Sponsors* – Brazos Pilots Association, Enbridge, Freeport LNG, Ports America, Vulcan Materials Company  
*Silver Sponsors* – Bay-Houston Towing Co., BTEL, Dole Fresh Fruit, Gulf Stevedoring, Gulf Stream Marine, HDR, Rollcon, LLC, Suderman & Young Towing, Waste Masters of Texas, West Gulf Maritime Association; *Bronze Sponsors* – BBC Chartering, IAD Architects, I.L.A. Local 1817, IMC Logistics, Phillips 66, Red Hook Terminals, Riviana, South Atlantic and Gulf Coast District (ILA), Toroz Logistics, T&T Group, LLC, Union Pacific Railroad; *Golf Balls Sponsor* – I.L.A. Local 30; *Beverage Cart Sponsors* – BASF, Brandei Goolsby, G & H Towing Company, Gulf Coast Auto Park, Gulf LNG Services, Stronghold Vegetation Management; *Lunch Sponsors* – BASF; Bracewell LLP, G & H Towing, MEGlobal; *Tent and Hole Sponsors* - GHD, Toroz Logistics, Waste Masters of Texas; *Breakfast Sponsors* – Gateway Mortgage, GHD, Gulf LNG Services, Hot Dog Marketing; *Putting Green Sponsors* – Gulf LNG Services, Freeport Mooring & Marine, I.L.A. Local 30; *Awards Sponsors* – Crain Caton & James, Superior Fabrication; *Hole Sponsors* – Bearcom, Blank Rome, Boys & Girls Club of Brazoria County, Brazosport Tire Company, Eric Henderson, First State Bank, Freeport Mooring & Marine, Gulf LNG Services, Killum Pest Control, KM&L, LLC, Masterson Advisors, LLC, Norma Hernandez, Realtor Greg Flaniken & Associates, One Lane Services, Port Freeport Commissioner Dan Croft, Port Freeport Commissioner Barbara Fratila, Port Freeport Commissioner Kim Kincannon, Port Freeport Commissioner Ravi Singhania, Port Freeport Commissioner Rob Giesecke, Port Freeport

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Port Freeport is a leading port in the export of crude oil and natural gas liquids and ranks nationally as 6th in chemicals, 14th in total foreign waterborne tonnage, and 26th in containers. A 2022 Economic Impact Study by Texas A&M Transportation Institute revealed that, nationally, the Freeport Harbor Channel generates 266,300 jobs and has a total economic output of \$157.3 billion. Port Freeport serves Alliera, Atlantic Container Lines, AMPORTS, BASF, Chiquita Fresh N.A., Dole Fresh Fruit, The Dow Chemical Company, Enterprise Products Partners, ExxonMobil, Freeport LNG, Fresh Del Monte Produce Inc., Ford Motor Company, General Motors, Glovis, Grimaldi Lines, Hoegh Autoliners, Kirby Marine, Linde, MEGlobal, NYK RORO, Phillips 66, Riviana Foods, Inc., Sallau Lines, Tenaris, U.S Department of Energy, Volkswagen Group of America, and Vulcan Materials Company.

Port Freeport is committed to keeping the local community informed of our operations and results. If you have questions or comments about this article, please email or call Amanda Veliz, Public Affairs Manager.

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**PHOTO CUTLINE: Port Freeport Commission and staff present a \$93,000 check to Texas Port Ministry, representing proceeds from the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Port Freeport Golf Tournament.**