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## **PORT FREEPORT COMMISSION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS**

**FREEPORT, TX (June 21, 2017)** – During the June 9<sup>th</sup> Port Commission Meeting, Commissioners unanimously elected Paul Kresta Chairman of the Port Commission. John Hoss will serve as the Port Commission Vice Chairman. The other officers are as follows: Shane Pirtle, Port Commission Secretary; Bill Terry, Port Commission Assistant Secretary; Rudy Santos, Port Commissioner and Ravi Singhania, Port Commissioner.

Paul Kresta has served on the Port Commission since 2009 and is a life-long resident of Brazoria County. Employed by Phillips 66 since 1978, Kresta holds the position of Shift Superintendent and for 28 years has been in the private ranching business. Kresta served on the Board of the Brazoria County Fair Association for 25 years, contributed over 20 years to the Brazoria County Cattlemen’s Association as a member of the board and had served as president for two years. Kresta stays involved in other community organizations. Kresta has been married to Peggy Kresta since 1983 and has four children and one granddaughter.

As the newly elected Chairman, he looks forward to leading the Port Commission. Chairman Paul Kresta stated, “I would like to congratulate each Commissioner on their newly elected positions. Port Freeport’s growth has created an exciting environment, and I look forward to working with the Port Commission and staff in furthering the Port’s strategic objectives and achieving new successes.”

Port Freeport is ranked 10<sup>th</sup> in chemicals and 26<sup>th</sup> in containers. The Channel serves Dow Chemical, Phillips 66, BASF, Tenaris, Vulcan Material, Mammoet, Freeport Liquefied Natural Gas (FLNG), American Rice, Dole, Chiquita, Seaway, Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) and Hoegh

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**PAUL KRESTA, CHAIRMAN; JOHN HOSS, VICE CHAIRMAN; SHANE PIRTLE, SECRETARY; BILL TERRY, ASST. SECRETARY;  
RUDY SANTOS, COMMISSIONER; RAVI K. SINGHANIA, COMMISSIONER; PHYLLIS SAATHOFF, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CEO**

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