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SOUTH TANGIPAHOA PARISH PORT COMMISSION RE-ELECTS MR. DARYL FERRARA PRESIDENT- 2021

(STPPC) has re-elected Mr. Daryl Ferrara as President for 2021. Upon conclusion of the re-election process, Mr. Ferrara commented “As previously noted, it is an honor and a privilege to be re-elected to serve as president of this organization... Once again, I continued in 2021, commission’s business plan to re- the inter-modal terminal first class facility designed to attract new industries, create new market multi-use facilities, and provide new job opportunities residents of the region”.

Mr. Ferrara is Vice-President/Financial Relationship Manager for First Guaranty Bank in Hammond, LA. He is a graduate of Southeastern Louisiana University with a B.A. in Marketing and Finance. He is also actively involved in various civic organizations including the Hammond Chamber of Commerce Board since 2005, and was honored as the Frances Chauvin Volunteer of the Year at the annual installation & awards banquet in 2019. His long list of commitment to community service organizations also includes Options, Inc., Leadership Tangipahoa, and LHSAA Ladies Top 28 Basketball Tournament Volunteer. Mr. Ferrara was previously voted the 2009 Man of the Year by the Hammond Junior Auxiliary, is a member of Holy Ghost Catholic Church, and is a life-long resident of Hammond, LA.

In addition, the following commissioners were also re-elected to serve accordingly for 2021:

Vice-President - William Joubert is the Director of the Southeast Louisiana Business Center located at Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, LA. The SLU based research center provides business and economic development efforts throughout the Tangipahoa as well as Florida parishes region. Mr.

Joubert completed his Bachelor of Science in Economics/International Trade at Louisiana State University in 1989 and his Masters of Business Administration at Southeastern Louisiana University in 1992. In addition, Mr. Joubert's extensive professional training also includes the following: Certified Global Business Professional and Certified NASBITE (export consultant), LIDEA Certified Economic Developer, and Graduate of the International Economic Development Council Institute. He is also an active member of several economic development associations' including: the Tangipahoa Economic Development District/Foundation, the Hammond Industrial Development District, and has served as President of the I -12 Alliance since 2007.

Secretary - James Wesley Daniels, II is currently a Managing Partner at Branch Real Estate LLC. and is active in real estate development and investments throughout Tangipahoa Parish. He is a graduate of St. Thomas Aquinas Regional Catholic High School and later attended Southeastern Louisiana University, where he was given the opportunity to further his studies abroad in San Jose, Costa Rica. Mr. Daniels is a licensed Real Estate Agent through the Louisiana Real Estate Commission and practices at his family business that was founded by his grandmother in the 1940's. In addition to his many successful endeavors in the real estate world, Mr. Daniels is also deeply committed to community service. He is also member of the Ponchatoula Chamber of Commerce, Hammond Chamber of Commerce, St. Joseph Catholic Church, little league coach, active alumnus, and most importantly a devoted family man to his wife & two children.

Treasurer- Dr. James Nelson is a retired resident of Hammond, LA and has an impressive resume of professional activity including positions as Chief Medical Officer-North Oaks Health System Hammond, LA from Jan 2003-April 2007 and General Surgeon- Surgical Associates in Hammond, Louisiana from 1977-2003.

Dr. Nelson also has an extensive list of academic appointments including the following: Adjunct Instructor Graduate School of Nursing, Southeastern Louisiana University from January 2009-June 2013, Adjunct Instructor- Department of Biology, Southeastern Louisiana University August 2008-December 2009, Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery L.S.U Medical Center, New Orleans, LA 1983-present, Assistant Professor of Surgery L.S.U. Medical Center, New Orleans, LA 1974-77, Research Instructor-Department of Surgery University of Texas Medical School in Dallas, Texas 1971-73.

Furthermore, his professional series of hospital appointments includes: Emeritus Medical Staff, North Oaks Medical Center, Hammond, LA 2007-present, Active Medical Staff, North Oaks Medical Center, Hammond, LA, 1977-2003-

President of Medical Staff - 1981 and 1999, Active Medical Staff,- Lallie Kemp Medical Center, Independence, LA 1995-2003 Chief of Surgery - 1996-98 and 2002-03, Active Medical Staff, Westpark Community Hospital, Hammond, LA 1983-93 President of Medical Staff 1983, Consulting Medical Staff, Hood Memorial Hospital, Amite, Louisiana, 1977-2003, Active Medical Staff, Hotel Dieu Hospital, New Orleans, LA, 1974-77, Visiting Surgeon, Charity Hospital, New Orleans, LA, 1974-80, and Assistant Clinical Director –Charity Hospital, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1973-74.

Commissioner - Ryan Williams is a native of Hammond, Louisiana and earned his Juris Doctorate and Graduate Diploma in Comparative Law from the LSU Law Center. During his tenure as a law student at LSU, he participated in the Law Succession Clinic was a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity. In addition, he also obtained his undergraduate degree in Political Science from LSU and is a graduate of St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Hammond, LA.

Mr. Williams is currently a member of the Drake Law Firm and his practice is primarily focused on the following areas of real estate law, succession & wills, medical malpractice, and personal injury cases. Mr. Williams’s hobbies include golfing, attending LSU games on Saturdays, as well as the Saints on Sundays. He is also a volunteer baseball coach for the Ponchatoula Area Recreation District.

Commissioner - Jimmy Schliegelmeyer, Jr. grew up in the Rosaryville community in Tangipahoa Parish and is currently a resident Ponchatoula, LA. He is a professionally licensed Electrician/Residential Building Contractor and is the owner of Schliegelmeyer Construction. He is married to Amanda Schliegelmeyer and together they have four children: Colby Schliegelmeyer (registered nurse @ North Oaks), Gavin Schliegelmeyer (computer technician), step-daughter Alexis Gomez (nursing student @ Our Lady of the Lake) and step-son Ashton (grade-school). Mr. Schliegelmeyer, Jr. is currently an active member of The Strawberry Festival Board, in addition to various other community service organizations throughout the Tangipahoa Parish area. The South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission serves as the official State of Louisiana appointed governing authority for Port Manchac. (one seat currently vacant)appointed by the governor to terms receive no compensation for their community service to the organization. The commission was originally created by Act #299 of the Louisiana Legislature in 1962. **South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission positions for 2021** Daryl Ferrara – President

William Joubert– Vice-President
James Wesley Daniels
Dr. James Nelson –
Member **Jimmy Schliegelmeyer, Jr. - Member** **Ryan Williams -**
In 2021, the South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission/Port Manchac will continue the re-development of the facility through the continuation of a series of infrastructure projects engineered to provide safe & efficient cargo storage and trans-loading

operations by barge, rail, and truck at the inter-modal terminal. The completion of the \$3 million investment program will include internal roadway, drainage, parking improvements, rail spur maintenance, lay-down storage area improvements, and bulk-head/harbor dredging improvements at the facility. An additional infrastructure funding grant from the LA Department of Transportation & Development will also commence later this year to expand on the current series of improvement projects. The new infrastructure is part of the port's master plan for future development that was originally developed in 2007 and updated in 2017 to attract new mixed-use industries and create new quality job opportunities for residents of the Tangipahoa Parish area. 140- inter-modalalso adjacent to the mainline of (CN) that provides regular service to the 6'000 ft. of storage track at the site. The terminal's ideal location also , Mississippi River and The Port of New Orleans. Additional infrastructure and logistical info on the Port Manchac inter-modal terminal is available @ www.portmanchac.com .

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