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JANIECE LONGORIA NEW PORT COMMISSIONER

HOUSTON – The Port of Houston Authority announced that Janiece M. Longoria was sworn in as Port Commissioner. Appointed by vote of the Houston City Council last week, Longoria will officially begin her term on Monday, September 9.

“We warmly welcome Commissioner Longoria,” stated James T. Edmonds, chairman of the Port Commission. “We look forward to her fresh new ideas for helping maintain the Port as a key driver for the economic vitality of our community,” Edmonds added.

Since 1997, Commissioner Longoria has been a partner in the law firm of Ogden Gibson White & Broocks, L.L.P. She has previously served as a partner for the law firms of Andrews & Kurth, L.L. P., and Hutcheson & Grundy, L.L.P. Earlier in her law career, Longoria was a City of Houston municipal court judge, a prosecutor in the Harris County district attorney’s office, and a law clerk for the Texas attorney general’s office. She earned a B.A. with honors from the University of Texas and a J.D. from the University of Texas School of Law.

Commissioner Longoria is a member of the American Bar Association’s Securities Law Section and the State Bar of Texas. As a member of the Securities Industry Association, she has co-authored the annual survey of broker-dealer litigation. Her numerous other professional and volunteer organization affiliations include Houston Lawyer Referral Service, Houston Bar Foundation, American Leadership Forum, Houston Symphony Board of Trustees, Houston Convention Center Hotel Corporation, The Heritage Society Board of Directors, Texas Accountants & Lawyers for the Arts, University of Saint Thomas President’s Advisory Council, Contemporary Arts Museum Board of Trustees, Cultural Arts Council of Houston, Houston Hispanic Forum, San Jacinto Girl Scout Council, Hispanic Women in Leadership, and American Judges Association.

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The Port of Houston Authority

The Port of Houston Authority owns and operates the public facilities located along the Port of Houston, 25-mile long complex of diversified public and private facilities designed for handling general cargo, containers, grain, and other dry bulk materials, project and heavy lift cargo, and other types of cargo. The Port of Houston Authority plays a vital role in ensuring navigation safety along the Houston Ship Channel, which has been instrumental in Houston’s development as a center of international trade. The port – sixth largest in the world – is ranked first in the United States in foreign waterborne commerce and second in total tonnage. Each year, more than 6,600 vessels from around the world call at the port. The Port of Houston Authority’s Barbours Cut Container Terminal and Central Maintenance Facility are the first of any port facilities in the U.S. to develop and implement an innovative Environmental Management System that meets the rigorous standards of ISO 14001 compliance. For more information, please visit <http://www.portofhouston.com>.