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**12th ANNUAL PORT FREEPORT GOLF TOURNAMENT DELIVERS ALL-TIME
RECORD PROCEEDS**

FREEPORT, TX (November 27, 2023) – During the November 16th meeting, the Port Freeport Commission and staff presented a check in the amount of \$84,000 from the proceeds of the 12th Annual Port Freeport Golf Tournament to Chris Moore, Director of Texas Port Ministry (TPM).

The golf tournament was held on October 16, 2023, at The Wilderness Golf Course in Lake Jackson, Texas, with a single-flight foursome scramble format. The generosity of our teams and over 78 sponsors from the Freeport and Houston maritime transportation industry, and local businesses within the district made the event a huge success achieving record net proceeds of \$84,000. These proceeds will benefit TPM, and the important services provided to seafarers, truckers, and others.

“The Port Commission and I would like to extend a special thank you to our dedicated sponsors, their teams, and all of the volunteers for their commitments each year,” said Port Commission Chairman Ravi Singhania. “It is an honor to host the annual tournament benefiting Texas Port Ministry, and knowing all the proceeds benefit individuals that come into contact with our Port community on a daily basis.”

Texas Port Ministry provides for the spiritual, social, and physical needs of mariners, truckers, and port workers within the Freeport Harbor Channel community. Their center provides transportation services portwide, allowing shore side access to mariners transiting secure facilities. Additionally, it has accommodations such as comfort stations, communications stations, and areas to log downtime. Each year, Texas Port Ministry impacts over 10,000 international seafarers from over 50 countries, over 150,000 truck drivers, and many local port workers. The work of the

ministry is completely funded through donations and through the service of over 40 volunteers representing 20 area churches.

“The tournament was a success and made possible through the support from our partners and local businesses,” said Port Freeport Executive Director/CEO Phyllis Saathoff. The proceeds from the event will assist TPM as they continue their important humanitarian service for those that come into contact with the Freeport Harbor Channel community,” said Saathoff.

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and Services, Inc., LJA Surveying, Masterson Advisors, LLC, Nena's Mexican Restaurant, Promotions Unlimited, Suderman & Young Towing Company, Texas Gulf Bank

Port Freeport is a leading port in the export of crude oil and natural gas liquids and ranks nationally as 6th in chemicals, 17th 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, Ford Motor Company, General Motors, Glovis, Grimaldi Lines, Hoegh Autoliners, Kirby Marine, Liberty Global Logistics, Linde, MEGlobal, NYK RORO, Phillips 66, Riviana Foods, Inc., Sallaum Lines, Tenaris, U.S Department of Energy, Volkswagen Group of America, and Vulcan Materials Company.

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PHOTO CUTLINE: Port Freeport Commission and staff present a \$84,000 check to the Texas Port Ministry.