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Gulf Coast Renaissance Corporation

Gulf Coast Renaissance Corp. Announces New Chair, Vice Chair and Board Member
- Roy Anderson III named chair and Carl Chaney named vice chair; Edward Day VI joins board

GULFPORT, Miss. – Gulf Coast Renaissance Corp. board of directors recently announced the appointment of Roy Anderson III as chairperson, Carl Chaney as vice chairperson and Edward Day VI as a board member.

Anderson, who has served as Renaissance Corp.'s vice chair since 2008, and Chaney, who has been a Renaissance Corp. board member since early 2009, were elected to the rolls of chair and vice chair upon the departure from the board of Anthony Topazi, the affordable-housing nonprofit's first and only chairperson. Topazi, who served as president and CEO of Mississippi Power, recently relocated from the area upon his promotion as executive vice president and COO of Southern Company.

Anderson is chairman and president/CEO of Anderson Companies, the parent company of Roy Anderson Corp of Gulfport, Harrell contracting Group of Jackson and Brice Building Co. LLC of Birmingham and New Orleans.

Anderson, a Gulfport native and resident, is a graduate of the University of Alabama and the University of Mississippi School of Law. Among his many professional and civic rolls, he is a past board member of the Associated General Contractors and a past president of the organization's Mississippi chapter. He is a two-time past president of Westminster Academy and a graduate of the Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Gulf Coast. As well, Anderson currently serves on Whitney National Bank of Mississippi's advisory board and is a member of the Gulf Coast Business Council.

Chaney serves as chief executive officer and president of Hancock Holding Company and Hancock Bank. The Gulfport resident's professional affiliations include the American Bankers Association, the American Bar Association, University of Mississippi's Banking and Finance Counsel and the Mississippi Bank Attorneys' Committee.

Chaney holds a Bachelor of Business Administration in banking and finance and managerial finance, as well as a Jurist Doctorate from the University of Mississippi Law School. His

community involvement includes affiliations with the Gulf Coast Carnival Association, the Gulfport Yacht Club and the Gulf Coast Symphony.

Day was appointed last month as Mississippi Power's eleventh president and chief executive officer. He has been employed with the Southern Company Services for 27 years and most recently held the position of executive vice president of engineering and construction for the Southern Company Generation, a business unit within the investor-owned electric-utility Southern Company.

Day holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Alabama and a Master of Business Administration from Samford University. He is also a graduate of Harvard University's Advanced Management program.

"Anthony Topazi, a founder of Gulf Coast Renaissance Corp., provided our nonprofit a strong foundation, and we are truly grateful for his support and guidance that helped make Renaissance Corp. grow and thrive since 2006. We certainly will miss his presence at our board's helm; however, we know that Roy Anderson and Carl Chaney, both who have long been involved in our organization in various ways, and who are stalwart business and community leaders, will continue to guide our organization in fulfilling our mission to provide the opportunity for homeownership for thousands of South Mississippi residents," said Kimberly LaRosa, president and CEO of Gulf Coast Renaissance Corp. "And we look forward to Ed Day's participation as a board member. His expertise in engineering and construction, coupled with his executive management skills, will bring added strength to our board.

About Gulf Coast Renaissance Corp.:

Gulf Coast Renaissance Corporation, founded in 2006 by several South Mississippi business leaders in the wake of Hurricane Katrina's devastation, is a nonprofit organization focused on creating affordable housing solutions to Pearl River, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, George and Stone counties. For more information about the Gulf Coast Renaissance Corporation, please go to www.msgcrc.com or call (228) 896-3386.

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