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EDC Announces Slate of Officers for Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Hayes passes Chair role to Kilborne, Gaetjens joins prestigious leadership lineup.

Space Coast, FL (October 23, 2018) – During its 2018 Annual Meeting on October 17, The Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC) announced its slate of officers for its Fiscal Year 2018/2019 as follows:

- Chair, Ms. Dana Kilborne
- Chair Elect, Mr. Joe Mayer Director, Government Relations – Florida, Lockheed Martin Space
- Treasurer, Ms. Julie Song
 President, FL Business & Manufacturing Solutions, Inc.
- Secretary, Mr. Bart Gaetjens
 Area External Affairs Manager, Florida Power & Light Company
- Immediate Past Chair, Mr. Phil Hayes
 Managing Partner, Berman Hopkins Wright & LaHam CPAs And Associates, LLP

The EDC officers represent a wide array of Space Coast industries. This group of professionals who provide valuable expertise in their fields, will enhance the EDC's economic development efforts. Officers guide the EDC towards established strategic goals as it works on behalf of the community to create opportunities for the county, local businesses, and citizens.

"The EDC has always been proactive in adapting and responding to anticipated challenges and emerging trends," said incoming Chair Dana Kilborne during the EDC's 2018 Annual Meeting. "I look forward to the next 12 months, as we ensure the EDC continues to be a champion of change, creating a sustainable environment for our community and its citizens and businesses."

During the event, Immediate Past Chair Phil Hayes spoke on his tenure as Chair "being involved with the initiatives of the EDC and seeing the impact they have on our community has been a blessing to me. I'm honored and grateful to have been part of the team."

"Our Board continues to be an instrumental part of the EDC's mission and program of work", said Lynda Weatherman, president and CEO of the EDC. "I value their leadership and strategic guidance year after year."

To learn more about the EDC and its officers visit <u>www.SpaceCoastEDC.org/Officers</u>

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About the Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast

The Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast (EDC) is dedicated to attracting new business and investment and expanding existing industry throughout the Space Coast, influencing change on government laws and regulations affecting economic development, promoting the Space Coast to encourage new investment, supporting efforts of Space Coast military installations, and relaying new programs and procedures to assist manufacturing and high-tech companies. The EDC is a private, not-for-profit coalition whose stakeholders are business leaders committed to the economic growth and stability of Florida's Space Coast. Visit <u>www.SpaceCoastEDC.org</u>.