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## **GREATER IRVING-LAS COLINAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WELCOMES NINE NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

**IRVING, Texas – October 24, 2007** – The Greater-Irving Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce today announced the appointment of nine new members to its 52-member board of directors.

**Don Herring, Jr., Brenda Jackson, Ed Jolly, Randy Raudabaugh, David Russell, Brian Smith** and **Jeff Youngblood** will begin their three-year terms immediately. In addition, **Tom Morton** and **Kyle Ahlfinger** were elected to serve one-year terms.

“The Chamber is proud to welcome such a highly credentialed group of individuals to the board of directors,” said Chris Wallace, president and CEO of the Chamber. “Their business knowledge and expertise will be valuable as we work together to advance the Chamber’s strategic goals and market Irving as a great place to do business.”

Joining the Chamber board of directors are: **Don Herring, Jr.**, President and CEO of Don Herring Mitsubishi; **Brenda Jackson**, Senior Vice President of Sales and Marketing for EFJohnson, a leading provider of two-way radios and communications systems for law enforcement, emergency responders and the military; **Ed Jolly**, Global Online Support Manager for Microsoft; **Randy L. Raudabaugh**, Senior Global Services Executive for ExxonMobil Corporation; **David O. Russell**, Vice President of External Affairs for Verizon Communications; **Brian Smith**, Owner of Big State Drug and Brown’s Pharmacy; and **Jeff Youngblood**, Co-owner of FASTSIGNS Irving-Las Colinas. **Tom Morton** of Independent Bank of Texas and former Coppel Mayor, as well as **Kyle Ahlfinger**, VP and Chief Marketing Officer of Flowserve Corporation, have joined the Chamber board for one-year terms.

### **About the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce**

Celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce promotes the growth and expansion of business in Irving, an international community that is

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home to 200,000 residents and more than 8,000 businesses, including the global headquarters of four Fortune 500 companies and regional offices of more than 20 international companies. The Chamber serves as the unified business voice for Irving, which is located in the heart of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. With a rich heritage of leadership and collaboration, the Chamber works in partnership with the City of Irving and the corporate community to promote, advocate for and expand business in the city and further develop and market Irving's advantages as a premier location for doing business. For more information about the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce, visit [www.irvingchamber.com](http://www.irvingchamber.com).

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