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MAYOR PARKER APPOINTS BILLY BRISCOE TO GCCSA

Briscoe to Serve on Board of Directors of the Gulf Coast Community Services Association

(HOUSTON) Billy Briscoe, candidate for Harris County Treasurer, was recently appointed to serve on the Board of Directors of the Gulf Coast Community Services Association. The GCCSA is a private, nonprofit organization that has served the Houston area for over forty-five years through assistance to low-income families. The Mayor's Office appoints a representative to serve on the Board, which oversees the organization's educational, social and economic efforts.

Dr. Jonita Wallace Reynolds, Chief Executive Director of GCCSA, praised Mayor Parker's appointment, noting that "Mr. Briscoe will be a welcomed addition to the Board. His business experience and legal expertise is precisely the blend of skill-sets needed as we move forward in GCCSA's 46th year of providing service to our community. I know that he will be a valued asset in helping to carry out the organization's mission."

Mayor Annise Parker recognized Briscoe's desire to serve his community, announcing her appointment through the following statement, "I am pleased to appoint Billy Briscoe as my representative to the Gulf Coast Community Services Associations (GCCSA) Board. I am confident that Billy will be an active contributing member to the Board and I appreciate his willingness to serve."

Briscoe is both honored and humbled to be the newest addition to the GCCSA Board of Directors, which he said "is comprised of dedicated, talented Houstonians that I admire and look forward to working with in order to continue and expand the successes of the organization's outreach."

About Gulf Coast Community Services Association (GCCSA)

Established in 1964, Gulf Coast Community Services Association (GCCSA) is a private, nonprofit organization that exists to strengthen the educational, social and economic well-being of individuals and families as they move towards independence and self-sufficiency. As Texas' largest Community Action Agency, GCCSA provides Head Start and Early Head Start services as well as many Community Services, including Housing Counseling, Rental/Mortgage Assistance, Furniture Voucher Program, Food Pantry, Transportation Assistance, Clothes Closet, Senior Services, Prescription Voucher Program, Employment Skills Program and Individual Development Account Program, After School Program, Back to School Program and a Community Learning Center Services (i.e. GED, ABE, Computer Literacy, Conversational Spanish and ESL). GCCSA provides services in 36 locations (25 Head Start/Early Head Start locations and 11 Outreach Sites) to thousands of low-income, Houston area residents annually.

During its rich 40-year plus history, GCCSA has administered hundreds of millions of dollars in public funding and has served over half a million low-income individuals. As a result, Gulf Coast has established itself as one of the most experienced community service providers in the gulf coast region and the largest Community Action Agency in the state of Texas.

About Billy Briscoe

Billy Briscoe is a native Houstonian. A local businessman and lawyer, Briscoe received a Masters in Business Administration from the University of Michigan, a law degree from the University of Houston Law Center, and a BA from Hampton University, and Billy serves on the boards of American Red Cross - Southeast Branch, Making It Better, Inc., Harris County Improvement District 12 and Have Haven, Inc.

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