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MAYOR CHUCK OBERLIE ANNOUNCES BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Chuck Oberlie is pleased to announce the following board appointments:

Ms. Elizabeth Bigda and Mr. Richard Richey were re-appointed to a four-year term as members of the Historic Review Board. The Mayor also appointed Ms. Fran Metcalf as a member of the Historic Review Board. Ms. Metcalf is an owner/resident of the Elston Grove neighborhood. Their terms will begin immediately and will expire on 03-15-2006.

Mr. Jim Jaksa was appointed to the Michigan City Port Authority. His term will begin immediately and will expire on 04-13-2004. Mr. Jaksa will fill the unexpired term of Mr. Robert Kavanaugh. Mr. Jaksa is an Architect property manager at Horizon Bank.

Ms. JoAnn Engquist, Mr. Brett Kelley and Mr. Martin Hernandez were all appointed to the Michigan City Human Rights Commission. Ms. Engquist's term will begin immediately and will expire on 11-02-04. Ms. Engquist is a former teacher and administrator and currently works for the Boys and Girls Club. She will fill the unexpired term of Mr. Chip Cotman. Mr. Kelley's term will begin immediately and will expire on 11-02-03 and Mr. Hernandez's term will begin immediately and will expire on 11-02-05. Mr. Hernandez is a life long resident of Michigan City and is employed with St. Anthony/Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Al Whitlow has been appointed to the Michigan City Urban Enterprise Association. His term will begin immediately and will expire on 12-31-03. Mr. Whitlow will fill the term of Mayor Chuck Oberlie.

Ms. Margaret Jamieson has been appointed to the Michigan City Housing Authority Board. Her term will begin immediately and will expire on 04-23-04. Ms. Jamieson will be the resident representative on the board.

Mayor Oberlie stated, “I would like to thank all of these community volunteers who have accepted a board appointment and I am confident they will make a positive impact on our local quality of life. I look forward to working with these new board members and am happy that citizens are willing to step forward to help the city.”

Mayor Oberlie continued, “I would like to remind the citizens of Michigan City that a “Board and Commission Form” has been created with a listing of local Boards and Commissions and a space for volunteers to summarize their interests. The form is available in City Hall at the Mayor’s office. The form is also available on-line at www.emichigancity.com.”