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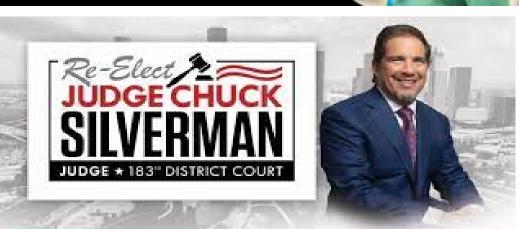












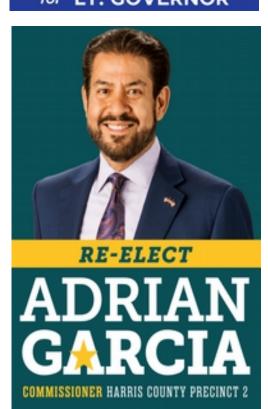












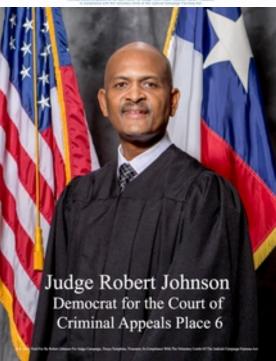














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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HCC Board of Trustees Elect New Officers

HOUSTON (January 24, 2022) – The Houston Community College Board of Trustees elected new officers in a meeting held Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2022.

The governing board named Dr. Cynthia Lenton-Gary (District 7) board chair, Trustee Monica Richart (District 1) vice chair and Trustee Eva Loredo (District 8) secretary.

"It is an honor and a privilege to serve as chair for the HCC Board of Trustees," Dr. Lenton-Gary said. "I pledge to honor my oath of office by working with the chancellor, administration and my colleagues to do what's best for the college and our community."

Dr. Lenton-Gary is the first African-American female to serve in city government for Missouri City and the first African-American woman appointed to the Fort Bend Independent School District Board of Trustees. The longtime civic leader and volunteer worked as a research chemist and forensic scientist after earning her bachelor's degree. She earned a master's degree in sociology from Prairie View A&M University and a doctorate in Christian counseling from Newburgh Theological Seminary in Indiana.

Trustee Richart, an attorney, practiced locally and has served in various government roles, including director of compliance for Harris County Clerk's Office. The Princeton graduate earned a Juris Doctorate from Columbia University's Law School.

Trustee Loredo, who holds the honorary title of "dean" of the board, is the longest serving trustee. She formerly served as principal at Gallegos Elementary School. She also holds a bachelor's degree from Texas Southern University and an M.A. from the University of Houston.

Other trustees include Dr. Adriana Tamez (District 3); Dr. Reagan Flowers (District 4); Robert Glaser (District 5); David Wilson (District 6); and, Dr. Pretta VanDible Stallworth (District 9).

HCC Chancellor Dr. Cesar Maldonado lauded the new board leadership. "I congratulate and look forward to working with the newly elected board officers and the entire HCC governing board as we continue our progress toward education that drives student success," he said.



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