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## **Commission President Pepper and Mayor Mallory Announce Slate of 10 Directors to the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority**

Cincinnati – After careful consideration and lengthy discussions with city and county leaders and business leaders in the community, Commission President David Pepper and Cincinnati Mayor Mark Mallory are presenting a slate of 10 proposed board members to serve on the reformed and revamped Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority.

In August of 2008, the Port Authority was restructured to maximize the organization's ability to spark economic development and job growth for the region. The slate of ten nominees (bios attached) were selected to apply their broad range of expertise to take advantage of the new structure, apply "fresh eyes" to the operation of the Port Authority, while also reflecting a healthy diversity of backgrounds and experiences that will assure broader community values are well represented.

Of the slate of ten, five will be appointed by the county and five by the city. The County is expected to appoint: **Richard J. Greiwe, Karen McShea, Tom Williams, Shane M. Wright, and Joe Zimmer.** The City is expected to appoint: **Otto M. Budig, Jr., Lydia Jacobs-Horton, Marty R. Dunn, Clark D. Handy, and Lynn Marmer.**

"The port authority can be a major engine of economic growth and job creation for our community," said Commissioner David Pepper. "With this high caliber board and its new structure, the City and County are working together to make sure it meets its full potential."

"The new structure will allow the Port to be a much more aggressive tool in our efforts to expand our local economy and create jobs," Mayor Mallory said.

Cincinnati City Council and Hamilton County Commissioners are expected to vote on the slate as soon as city/county meetings on June 17th, 2009.

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