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Flagler County Chamber President & CEO Jorge Gutierrez Tenders Resignation

Palm Coast – Allen Goodman, Chairman of The Board for the Flagler Chamber of Commerce announces that Jorge Gutierrez, President & CEO has tendered his resignation effective September 13, 2019.

"Jorge has decided to pursue other business opportunities at this time". On behalf of the Board of Directors, Goodman thanked Gutierrez for the outstanding job he has done directing the Chamber efforts which will position the organization for future growth and economic benefit going forward.

Under Jorge's leadership as President & CEO, the Chamber has experienced an increase in membership (+15%) year over year while membership retention has reached its highest level in over a decade.

The Chamber has formed a new task force that will implement new processes and continue the momentum moving forward under the direction of Mark Langello, Chair-Elect. The task force will focus on key pillars of the Chambers operations including membership, leadership, programs and government affairs.

The Chamber Board of Directors plan is to replace the position with an experienced chamber industry person. In the interim following Jorge's departure on September 27th, Allen Goodman, Chairman of The Board will serve as interim President & CEO working closely with The Board of Directors to continue operations until a new President & CEO has been identified and hired.

The Flagler County Chamber of Commerce can be reached at 386-437-0106 or online at www.flaglerchamber.org. They are located at 20 Airport Rd., Palm Coast, FL 32164.

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About the Flagler County Chamber of Commerce

With nearly 700 members, the Flagler County Chamber of Commerce is one of the largest member-based organizations in Flagler County, Florida. The Chamber has served and supported local businesses and its community since 1962 with a mission of engaging, promoting and sustaining a thriving business climate in Flagler County.