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**In Memoriam of Secretary Robert A. Mosbacher, Sr.**

The members of the Board of Directors of the Greater Houston Partnership wish to express their sense of loss at the passing of Former Secretary of Commerce Robert A. Mosbacher, Sr. His work in the energy industry, public policy and the Houston business community have contributed significantly to this region's economic prosperity and position as a gateway to global markets.

Originally from Mt. Vernon, New York, Secretary Mosbacher came to the Houston region as a young man eager to stake a claim in the oil industry. In 1975, he told the *New York Times*, "I fell in love with Houston when I first arrived. I wanted to be a wildcatter."

He would go on to found the Mosbacher Energy Company, an exploration and production corporation with interests in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. The company has had success with projects in the Rocky Mountains, Michigan, Canada, Spain, the Philippines, Venezuela and India. Since 1950, Mosbacher has participated in the discovery and/or development of hundreds of millions of barrels of oil and nearly a trillion cubic feet of natural gas.

Also known as one of the region's most venerable political fundraisers, Secretary Mosbacher was instrumental in the successful congressional and presidential bids of President George H.W. Bush and served as Harris County Chairman for the Richard Nixon's 1968 campaign. President Bush has been quoted as saying, "Without him, it's highly unlikely I would have ever been President of the United States."

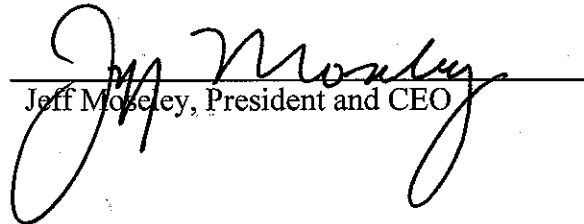
In 1989, he was sworn in as the 28th Secretary of Commerce of the United States. He set out to develop closer ties between government and industry. Additionally, he was instrumental in laying the foundation for the North American Free Trade Agreement and in aggressively promoting U.S. exports through the strengthening of the U.S. Foreign and Commercial Service of the Commerce Department. These initiatives have played a vital role in the growth of international trade in the Houston region.

Secretary Mosbacher provided poignant insight into the energy security discussion when he served as the keynote speaker for *America's Energy Future: Houston's Presidential Summit* in 2008. As a testament to his significance to the success of the region's business community, he was elected to serve as an honorary Board member of the Greater Houston Partnership the same year.

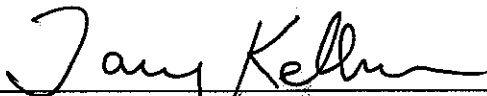
The region has benefitted greatly as a result of Robert Mosbacher's decision to do as so many others have prior to him and since. He embraced the "can-do" spirit of the Houston region and dared to pursue prosperity...and achieved it. He will truly be missed.



Patrick Oxford, Chairman



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