

**Resolution of the Board of Directors
Celebrating John Hofmeister
Contributions to the Partnership**

The Greater Houston Partnership Board of Directors celebrates John Hofmeister's tenure as President of Shell Oil Company and his many contributions to the Partnership.

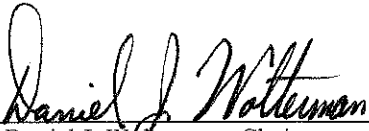
Mr. Hofmeister served as the Chairman of the Greater Houston Partnership's Board of Directors and its Executive Committee from 2007 to 2008. His tenure marked one of the most productive years in the Partnership's history. In another ambitious move, he challenged our Board to commit to taking the lead in the dialogue on our country's current energy issues. The result – *America's Energy Future: Houston's Presidential SummitSM* – was one of the most successful and meaningful undertakings the Partnership has ever produced.

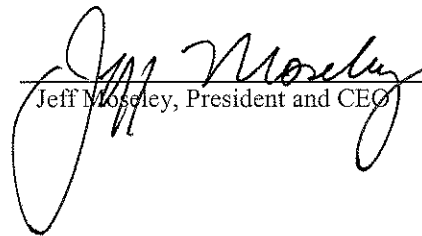
Under Mr. Hofmeister's guidance in 2007, the Greater Houston Partnership met new records for recognition and accomplishments:

- Passed resolutions on significant issues, including the support of the 2007 Bond Election for Capital Improvements in the Houston Independent School District.
- More than 60,000 new jobs in the Houston region.
- Capital investment grew more than \$6 billion.
- Through our support of the Port of Houston and the Houston Airport System, foreign trade for the region increased by an amazing \$15.2 billion. That's more than 125 percent of our annual goal.
- The Houston region's job growth was the FASTEST among the 10 largest U.S. metros and was more than twice the nation's job growth.
- MSNBC ranked us No. 3 on its list of "must-see" cities, praising our cultural community and architecture, the energy industry, NASA, and, of course, our restaurants.
- *Black Enterprise Magazine* named us the No. 4 city in the country for African Americans.
- SustainLane, an online media company that promotes personal and economic health in communities, placed us among the Top 10 cities for green technology innovation.

In addition to regular meetings with members of Congress, his 50-state tour, frequent media interviews, his many volunteer efforts, and a rather large company to run, Mr. Hofmeister still found time to represent Houston businesses on world trade missions and give his time to many worthy volunteer causes.

The Partnership has the utmost respect and appreciation for Mr. Hofmeister and that of his accomplishments.


Daniel J. Watterman, Chairman


Jeff Moseley, President and CEO


Daniel G. Bellow, Secretary