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COUNCILMAN DOMINICK IMPASTATO YIELDS ACTING MAYOR POST TO PROMOTE CONTINUITY AND FOCUS ON MAJOR DISTRICT PROJECTS

Kenner, LA – In the interest of promoting continuity in the office of Mayor, Councilman Dominick Impastato announced Thursday that he would yield his opportunity to serve as council president and mayor to Councilman Mike Sigur who has held that position since January 6.

Said Impastato, “As much as I would personally love to serve as acting mayor, I believe it is in the best interest of the city, its employees, and its citizens to promote continuity in the office of Mayor. Councilman Sigur and our city’s administrative team have already adjusted to working with each other, and there’s no reason to change that partnership.” Impastato also pointed to important projects in his district that he believes will require his personal attention in coming months. Said Impastato, “… the next 4-6 months will include some of the largest drainage improvements, commercial developments, and economic development projects that the district has seen in years. Those upcoming economic development projects will require substantial commitment.”

The Kenner Council voted in December for Sigur to serve as council president for the first six months of 2016, followed by District 5 Councilman Impastato beginning July 1 through the inauguration of a new mayor. Under Kenner’s City Charter, the council president becomes acting mayor when the mayor is unavailable. Former Kenner Mayor Michael Yenni vacated the mayoral post after winning the election for Jefferson Parish President.

Sigur “gladly” accepted the responsibility of continuing as a district councilman overseeing the administrative duties of mayor. Said Sigur, “Councilman Impastato is a young, energetic, and dedicated councilman who has a bright and promising future ahead. I’m sure he would like to have added ‘acting mayor’ to his political history. But Dominick is a man of high integrity, a true public servant, and he proved it by doing what he believes will put the people he serves above all self-interest.”

Impastato will remain as council vice-president, and will assume the role of council chairman once a new mayor is seated. Impastato lauded the Yenni administrative team stating, “Mayor Mike Yenni assembled a terrific team of administrators and directors, and they continue to help this city make across-the-board progress.”

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