



### **News release**

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### **New leadership team elected for 2008**

**Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership's officers: Milstein, Ainslie, Burkett, Bowers**

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BAY AREA HOUSTON, Texas – The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership recently elected Dr. Bernard A. Milstein as its chairman.

Milstein is a LASIK surgeon and clinical professor of ophthalmology at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston and president of The Eye Clinic of Texas in League City.

The board of directors for the regional economic development organization also elected Mary Ainslie as vice chairman, Gale E. Burkett as secretary and re-elected Jennifer Bowers as treasurer.

Ainslie received her Bachelor of Business Administration in Management and received her Master of Science in Finance from the University of Houston-Clear Lake. Currently, she is senior vice president of Amegy Bank of Texas and is responsible for developing commercial lending in the Bay Area Houston region.

Burkett is the founder/ Chief Executive Officer of GB Tech, Inc., a science and engineering firm. In his role as CEO, Burkett is charged with overseeing new market development, long-term strategic direction and overall vision of the company. Burkett also devotes a large portion of his time and energy to civic and community affairs.

Bowers is a partner in the law firm Bowers & Sadler.

The Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership is a nonprofit organization that promotes the growth of the Bay Area Houston region through the retention, expansion and recruitment of target industries.

Bay Area Houston is an economically and internationally diversified, high-tech region that is home to the NASA Johnson Space Center and numerous industries including its prime industry clusters of aerospace and specialty chemical.

The organization boasts more than 260 investors from other job-intensive industries as healthcare, education, recreation, tourism and the arts. The region also looks to capitalize on the emerging industry clusters of technology and biotechnology.

Thirteen cities and two counties also comprise the membership. City members are Clear Lake Shores, Dickinson, El Lago, Friendswood, Kemah, Houston, La Porte, League City, Nassau Bay, Pasadena, Seabrook, Taylor Lake Village and Webster. Counties include Harris and Galveston.

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