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## **Austin Yang takes over as the new CFO/CAO at the Port of Hueneme**

*Mr. Yang assumes the role as of March 6th, 2023.*

**[PORT HUENEME, CA – March 8, 2023] –**

The Port of Hueneme's CEO & Port Director Kristin Decas announced the promotion of Austin Yang to the new Chief Financial and Chief Administration Officer effective March 6th, 2023.

Kristin Decas, Port of Hueneme's CEO and Port Director said: "I am very pleased that Austin Yang is taking over as our new CFO/CAO and I am very confident that he will continue to make great contributions to the Port of Hueneme in his new role."

Austin Yang said: "I appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve the Port of Hueneme in this new role. I would like to thank Andrew Palomares, my predecessor, for his strategic guidance and leadership, which helped the Port to establish a solid financial foundation. I look forward to working with the talented Port family across the District in my new capacity to drive our continued financial, environmental, social, and commercial success under the leadership of the Board of Harbor Commissioners and executive management team."

"We are excited to have Austin Yang take up the position of the Port's CFO/CAO. Over the past 8.5 years at the Port, he has shown great leadership and fiscal responsibility." said Jess Herrera, President of the Oxnard Harbor District.

Mr. Yang joined the Port of Hueneme in 2014 and has an extensive career in both the Private and Public sectors. He has more than 20 years of experience working in a range of industries, including auditing, investment banking, manufacturing, and global logistics. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Long Beach State University and MBA degree from Marshall University. He is a licensed CPA and is a member of AICPA, GFOA, CSMFO, and CSDA. He also serves on the board of several non-profit organizations.

**About the Port of Hueneme** *The Port of Hueneme is one of the most productive and efficient commercial trade gateways for niche cargo on the West Coast. Five locally elected Port Commissioners govern the Port. The Port consistently ranks among the top ten U.S. ports for automobiles and fresh produce. Port operations support the community by bringing \$2.2 billion in economic activity and creating 20,032 trade-related jobs. Trade through the Port of Hueneme generates more than \$173.2 million in direct and related state and local taxes, which fund vital community services. In 2017, the Port of Hueneme became the first*

port in California to become Green Marine certified and was voted the Greenest Port in the U.S. at the Green Shipping Summit. [www.portofh.org](http://www.portofh.org).

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