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Houston Habitat Hires First Chief Financial Officer

Myra Mallet, CPA joins non-profit on September 1

HOUSTON, TX_Houston Habitat for Humanity has hired its first Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Myra Mallet as the organization continues to expand its services in support of home, community, and hope. With an annual budget of \$17M, Houston Habitat is a leader in the development of affordable housing in Houston where one in seven households spend half or more of their income on housing.

As CFO, Mallet will oversee Finance, Mortgage Services, Human Resources, and IT departments. The Houston Habitat Board of Directors led a national search to fill the position. "It is truly significant that we have come to a place where we can add the position of CFO," commented Executive Director Allison Hay, "With COVID-19 and Hurricane Harvey, the need has never been greater to provide those most in need with a safe place to call home. Myra will be crucial to our ability to activate our strategic plan and provide the necessary financial structure to ensure we can deliver on our mission."

Mallet will be key in the development of Robins Landing, a 127 acre mixed-use, mixed-income, master-planned community in near northeast Houston for those in all stages of life. The project is scheduled to break ground in 2021.

Mallet is a Certified Public Accountant with more than 25 years of experience in financial operations, business development, and project management. She comes to Houston Habitat from BHP, where she was most recently Head of Enterprise Improvement, Finance. Prior to that position she served in multiple roles at BHP including Head of Finance Business Partnering and Operations Accounting Controller. In addition, she has held management positions in accounting, finance, and training with Transocean, Resolution Performance Products, and Shell Chemical Company. Mallet received her Master of Science in Accounting from the *University of St. Thomas* and a Bachelor of Science from *Alcorn State University*. "I have long admired Houston Habitat and I am eager to bring my expertise to support and expand their commitment to affordable housing," commented Mallet.

Mallet resides in Cypress and is a life member of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alcorn State University Alumni Association, and a founding member of The Word of God Christian Fellowship Church. She is originally from Natchez, Mississippi.

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Committed to a world where everyone has a decent place to live, Houston Habitat for Humanity's work includes new home construction, home rehabilitation and disaster repair, infrastructure development for new communities, neighborhood revitalization and community building in the city of Houston. Houston Habitat has built more than 1,050 homes in 11 Houston neighborhoods, including the Fifth Ward and Northeast and Southeast quadrants. In addition to building, the organization has also repaired homes throughout Houston due to natural disasters; since Hurricane Harvey Houston Habitat has repaired more than 550 homes for families who are without resources to make repairs.