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## **SPEAKER JOE STRAUS SELECTS MIKE NOVAK OF SAN ANTONIO AS COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner Mike Novak of San Antonio was nominated for appointment by House Speaker Joe Straus and appointed by Governor Rick Perry in December 2011 for a term to expire January 31, 2013. Commissioner Novak is founder and CEO of Novak Group LLC, a premier construction management and energy solutions firm, and has more than 30 years of industry experience in construction management.

Prior to forming Novak Group, in 1980 Commissioner Novak founded Contemporary Constructors, Inc. an award-winning general contracting firm responsible for many San Antonio landmarks including the McNay Art Museum expansions, the original Majestic Theatre restoration, the SeaWorld Administrative Facilities, and the Trinity Baptist expansion. In the early 1990s, Commissioner Novak also formed CCI Telecom, Inc., which specialized in design-build services to high-tech telecommunications and air traffic control radar industries.

Commissioner Novak earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from St. Mary's University in 1975. Throughout his business career, he has also been active in public service and community affairs, holding elected and appointed positions including service as the presiding Tri-Chair of the San Antonio Military Transformation Task Force ("MTTF") since 2006. The MTTF is a City of San Antonio, Bexar County, and Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce initiative to share information, to assist the military in implementing base realignment and closures ("BRAC"), to address any impacts on the community, and to leverage BRAC to strengthen the economy and revitalize affected neighborhoods.

Commissioner Novak has also served as a Bexar County Commissioner, the Chairman of the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce, the Chairman of the Board of Morningside Ministries, a member of the Board of Governors of the Cancer Therapy Research Center, and the San Antonio Chapter President of the Associated General Contractors of America.