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PORT OF SAN FRANCISCO APPOINTS ERIC YOUNG AS DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

The Port of San Francisco Executive Director Elaine Forbes appointed Eric Young as Director of Communications to oversee communications and public affairs, and the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion program for the Port effective October 2, 2023. Young joins the Port of San Francisco after a decade leading communication at the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA).

“I am excited to announce that Eric Young will be our new Communications Director to serve the Port and people of San Francisco,” said Elaine Forbes, Executive Director of the Port of San Francisco. “Eric understands and shares our love of the City and its special waterfront and has demonstrated he can communicate Port priorities including economic recovery, equity, and climate change work.”

The Port of San Francisco is responsible for the seven and one-half miles of San Francisco waterfront adjacent to San Francisco Bay, which the Port develops, markets, leases, administers, manages, and maintains. Its jurisdiction stretches along the waterfront from Hyde Street Pier in the north to India Basin in the south. The Port’s operating portfolio is composed of more than 550 ground, commercial, retail, office, industrial, and maritime industrial leases, including many internationally recognized landmarks such as Fisherman’s Wharf, PIER 39, the Exploratorium, the historic Ferry Building, and Oracle Park, home of the San Francisco Giants baseball team.

“I’m honored to join the Port of San Francisco,” Young said. “The waterfront is vibrant and inclusive to everyone, and I am proud to be able to communicate all its exciting activities to the public.”

Prior to joining the Port, Young served as Director of Communications at the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, where he led a team, oversaw consultants, and advised the Executive Director and Deputies on policy. Young was a news reporter before becoming a communications professional. He wrote for several publications, including the Los Angeles Times, San Diego Union-Tribune, Sacramento Bee, and The Industry Standard. Among his beats, Young wrote about the Port of San Francisco for the San Francisco Business Times.

Young and his family are all San Francisco natives. He is a graduate of Stanford University. Among his favorite locations along the waterfront is the Skygate Sculpture near PIER 39, where he and his wife decided on the name of their daughter.

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About the Port of San Francisco

The Port of San Francisco manages 7.5 miles of waterfront as the gateway to San Francisco, and advances environmentally and financially sustainable maritime, recreational, and economic opportunities to serve the City, Bay Area and California.