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Former Port Commissioner Chuck Caldwell passes away

Aberdeen, WA. – Former Port of Grays Harbor District 1 Commissioner Chuck Caldwell passed away on Monday, December 23, 2019, at the age of 87.

“The Port of Grays Harbor extends our deepest condolences to Commissioner Caldwell’s family and friends. Chuck’s commitment and service to all of Grays Harbor, but especially those he served in District 1, will never be forgotten. He leaves a lasting legacy here at the Port and throughout the community,” shared Port Commission President Stan Pinnick.

Commissioner Caldwell joined the Port of Grays Harbor Commission in 2002, representing East Grays Harbor as District 1 Commissioner. During his tenure, the Port has experienced significant growth and diversification; international trade at the 4 deep-water Marine Terminals has reached over 2 million tons annually, commercial fishing activity increased as a result of seafood processors investing in the Westport Marina district, the 1,800 acre Satsop Business Park was added to the Port’s property portfolio making room for new jobs, and more than \$50 million in Port infrastructure projects have been completed to better serve the growing economic base. An advocate for recreational access to the waterfront, Commissioner Caldwell was also involved in the transfer of privately owned recreational properties, Friends Landing and Sterling Landing, to the Port of Grays Harbor in 2014 and a strong supporter of enhancements to the Westport Marina boat launch and 28th Street Landing and boat launch to ensure these vital waterfront access facilities are preserved and accessible for all to enjoy. Commissioner Caldwell retired July 2018, after more than 16 years of service.

Founded in 1911, the Port of Grays Harbor is one of Washington State's oldest port districts and Washington's only deep-water port located directly on the Pacific Ocean. The Port of Grays Harbor operates 4 deep-water marine terminals, the Westport Marina, Bowerman Airport, Grays Harbor ship assist services, numerous public waterfront access facilities, in addition to industrial and business parks throughout the County. Strategically located midway between Seattle and Portland and only 1 ½ hours from open sea, the Port of Grays Harbor provides businesses a diverse portfolio of facilities. More information on the Port of Grays Harbor's facilities and operations is available at portofgraysharbor.com.



Commissioner Chuck Caldwell passed away on Monday, December 23, 2019. Commissioner Caldwell served as a Port of Grays Harbor Commissioner for more than 16 years.



Commissioner Caldwell (in red) was instrumental in the Port's acquisition of Friends Landing. He joined current Port Commissioners to celebrate the new playground last spring.