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**WALTER APPOINTED HARBOR COMMISSIONER  
Businessman, Academic and Philanthropist Joins Port Board****June 27, 2005**

Dr. Mike Walter, assistant to the president for community relations at Cal State University Long Beach and former dean of its College of Business Administration, has been appointed to the Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners. Walter was nominated by Long Beach Mayor Beverly O'Neill and unanimously confirmed by the City Council.

Walter, a former Senior Vice President and member of the office of the president of Levi Strauss & Co., succeeds John R. Calhoun, J.D., who did not seek a second term on the five-member board governing the Port of Long Beach. Walter was appointed to a six-year term that ends in mid-2011. He will join the Harbor Commission on July 5.

Walter joins the board after a distinguished career in business and education. He also is well known for his philanthropy. He and his wife Arline donated \$2.1 million to CSULB's faculty development and research program, and to its Department of Athletics. The university honored the Walters by naming its iconic sports complex the "Mike and Arline Walter Pyramid." They also donate to local charities and other educational institutions.

Mike Walter came to Long Beach in 1993 as the dean of CSULB's College of Business Administration. In 2000, he accepted the position of Assistant to the President for Community Relations. He is a professor of international business in the College of Business Administration, and is a recognized Phi Beta Delta international scholar. Prior to coming to Long Beach, he served 10 years as dean of the School of Economics and Business Administration at Saint Mary's College of California in Moraga.

In business, he held senior executive positions with three multibillion, multinational companies, Levi Strauss, DuPont and Rockwell International. At Levi Strauss and DuPont, he was responsible for international operations. At Rockwell, he was assistant to the vice president for strategic planning and innovation.

In Long Beach, Walter is a former chairman of the Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, and a former president of the International Business Association. He is the Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Saint Mary Medical Center. He is a member of the board of directors for the National Conference for Community and Justice, the Boys and Girls Club, Leadership Long Beach, Workforce Development, the Queen Mary Preservation Committee, and the Saint Mary Medical Center Foundation. Walter also served on the Long Beach Board of Water Commissioners for two years.

Walter is a native of Clinton, Iowa. He holds B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Iowa. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army

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