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**Huebner Appointed to Asian Chamber Leadership Team**

**(HOUSTON, TEXAS, August 13)** Bin Yu, Chairman of Asian Chamber of Commerce, announced that Richard Huebner will take on a new role as Board and Chamber Executive Advisor. Yu received Board approval at its most recent Board meeting and has started to engage Huebner in strategic planning.

Huebner stated, "I am enthused to have the opportunity to help guide the Asian Chamber to achieve unprecedented success. Together, we will expand and solidify the Chamber's value to its members and its impact in business, economic and community development."

According to Yu, "The Asian Chamber of Commerce is at a critical point in its growth strategy and having new leadership is key to growing and maturing our organization and providing the best service to our members. Huebner has demonstrated his solid understanding of our vision, culture and value. He has over 45 years executive experience in growing award-winning non-profit organizations. With Huebner's executive role, we have the right organization in place to execute."

**About Asian Chamber of Commerce**

The Asian Chamber of Commerce has been supporting the business community in Houston for over 29 years. It's a diverse, multicultural group focused on increasing business with the Asian community locally and abroad for all Asian countries, as well as improving the overall economic prosperity of Houston. The Chamber hosts and supports numerous activities around the city to encourage our members to develop

lasting relationships. For more information about the Asian Chamber, please visit us at <http://www.asianchamber-hou.org/>

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### **About Richard Huebner**

Huebner received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Wisconsin – Madison. He has done graduate work at the Amos Tuck School of Management at Dartmouth University and is a Master Graduate of Discover Leadership Training. He is Past Chair of Leadership Houston, a graduate of the Center for Houston's Future and a Senior Fellow of the American Leadership Forum.

He rose quickly in his career to become Executive Director of a major international organization at the young age of 26. During his 12 years with that organization, he also founded and served as President of Virginia Collegiate Services taking it to its first year in \$1 million annual sales. As President, he led the Charlottesville-Albemarle Jaycees to become the leading chapter in the nation among over 9,000 chapters at the time and represented the United States in international competition.

For the past 31 years, Huebner served as President of the Houston Minority Supplier Development Council where he led hundreds of major corporations and government agencies and thousands of Minority Business Enterprises in a common mission to increase and expand business opportunities and business growth for minority-owned businesses. Under his direction, the Houston Minority Supplier Development Council was recognized seven times nationally as Council of the Year by the National Minority Supplier Development Council and was named Houston's Greatest Non-Profit Business Organization by the Greater Houston Partnership.

Huebner has served on many boards for civic, business, education, banking, government and community organizations. His work and leadership has been recognized with top awards by three of the past four Houston mayors as well as by the United Way, Houston Diversity Summit, Asian Chamber of Commerce, City of Houston, Federal Executive Board, Houston Money Week, Houston Minority Supplier Development Council, Houston Community College System, National Association For Community College Entrepreneurship, Houston International Trade Development Council, Indo-American Chamber of Commerce, Institute of Supply Chain Management, Korean American Association, Leadership Houston, National Hispanic Professional Organization, National Minority Supplier Development Council, Native American Chamber of Commerce, TWEF, U.S. Department of Commerce – Minority Business Development Agency, U.S. Small Business Administration, Who's Who in Houston, Who's Who in the South and Southwest, and the Women's Business Enterprise Council South. In 2017, Huebner was recognized as one of the Top 45 most influential figures in the 45-year history of the National Minority Supplier Development Council.

Huebner currently serves on boards or advisory boards of Memorial Hermann Hospital Katy, Allegiance Bank, Houston West Chamber of Commerce, Houston Community College System, Small Business Today Magazine, World Chamber of Commerce, and as an advisor to Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner. He is an active Elder at Grand Lakes Presbyterian Church and a Trustee of the Leadership Houston Foundation. He volunteers his time regularly in consulting a number of businesses and organizations.