

1 CHAIRMAN JAMES: Our presentation by local officials and
2 it's truly a privilege to introduce you to the Honorable A.J.
3 Holloway, Mayor of the City of Biloxi. Mr. Mayor, please --
4 let's see. Yes, there you are.

5 Mr. Mayor, please allow me to take this opportunity
6 and thank you publicly for all that you have done to help the
7 staff prepare for this meeting and also to thank you for the very
8 wonderful and warm welcome that we have all felt.

9 And we've just enjoyed a delightful luncheon
10 together, and on behalf of the -- all of the commissioners, I
11 want to thank you for your truly southern hospitality.

12 Also joining us this afternoon is the Honorable Bobby
13 Williams, Mayor of Tunica, and the Honorable Bobby Short, Mayor
14 of Gulfport. And we're missing one mayor, Mayor Short. Well,
15 perhaps he'll be joining us momentarily. Gentlemen, welcome.

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