



WestStar Executive Chairman, L. Frederick “Rick” Francis, Named To The Board of Directors Of The Texas Economic Development Corporation

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July 19, 2022 (El Paso, TX) – Texas Governor Greg Abbott has announced the appointment of WestStar Executive Chairman L. Frederick “Rick” Francis to the Board of Directors of the Texas Economic Development Corporation (TxEDC). In this role, TxEDC will partner with the Governor's Office of Economic Development & Tourism to market Texas domestically and globally as the best state for business.

On the Texas Economic Development Corporation, Governor Abbott said, "Their efforts will be instrumental in amplifying the success of TxEDC in promoting Texas as a premier business destination, both domestically and internationally. As the Lone Star State remains a global beacon of economic vitality and job creation, I look forward to working with the new Board of Directors to help fuel continued economic expansion for our great state."

When speaking about being elected to the board, Francis said, "I am honored to be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Texas Economic Development Corporation. With the board and our partners, I look forward continuing to expand Texas' status as the premier state in the nation to do business."

About WestStar

WestStar is a locally owned community bank with more than \$2.7 billion in assets. It services the El Paso, Las Cruces, and northern Mexico area (collectively known as the Borderplex region). WestStar provides businesses and retail consumers local access to a broad array of financial services, including banking, treasury management, wealth management, insurance, and title services. Additionally, WestStar team members serve on over 60 boards and committees of non-profit and civic organizations and participate in a wide range of community betterment efforts and philanthropic causes. For more information, visit the WestStar website at weststarbank.com.

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