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**Wilmington Chamber to Host Elected Officials at Annual Appreciation BBQ**

Wilmington, NC—Area elected officials will be treated to an old-fashioned BBQ on the riverfront at the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce’s 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Elected Officials Appreciation BBQ. The local delegation to the General Assembly, U.S. Congressman and Senators representing the area, New Hanover County Commissioners, Wilmington City Council, New Hanover County School Board, area judges, and more have been invited to attend. As of today, 29 elected officials plan to attend the event.

The event will take place on the riverfront at the Wilmington Chamber (One Estell Lee Place) on Friday, May 12, from 5:30-7:30 pm.

“I’m excited to be attending my first Elected Officials Appreciation BBQ at the Wilmington Chamber,” said Wilmington Chamber of Commerce President & CEO Natalie English. “What a great way to give the business community a chance to say thank you to all of our elected officials who give their time to improve our region.”

The Elected Officials Appreciation Barbecue is being hosted by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce. Sponsors include Coastal Beverage; Cloudwyze; Williford, Houston, & Co., CPAs, PLLC; Corning; Craig & Fox PLLC; GE Wilmington; NC Ports; AARP - North Carolina; BB&T; Independence Mall; Murchison, Taylor & Gibson, PLLC; New Hanover Regional Medical Center; North Carolina Biotechnology Center; RSM US LLP; McGuireWoods LLP; Wilmington Business Development; and Alliance Credit Union.

This event is only open to Wilmington Chamber of Commerce members. The cost for attendance is \$25 per person. Contact Megan Canny at [canny@wilmingtonchamber.org](mailto:canny@wilmingtonchamber.org) / (910)762-2611 ext. 202 for registration information.

Media covering the event are invited to attend at no cost. Please RSVP to Scott Czechlewski, Director of Communications, at [czechlewski@wilmingtonchamber.org](mailto:czechlewski@wilmingtonchamber.org) or (910) 762-2611 ext. 216.

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