

VRW January 2023 Meeting Notice

Wednesday, January 25th, 2023 Houston Racquet Club, 10709 Memorial Drive **Program Featuring**

Honorable Jim Murphy, Former State Representative Texas House District 133

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

11:00 a.m. Check-In / Networking

11:30 a.m. Program and Lunch

\$40.00 CC online

\$40.00 Cash/Check only when paying at the door

NOTE: The "no-eat" option is not available

Kindly notify us of dietary restrictions when you register.

Reminder

Please R.S.V.P. by Friday, January 20th, before 12:00 (noon) Reservations for the monthly luncheons must be made prior to noon on Friday preceding the meeting. (No Exceptions) The Racquet Club requests a headcount on this day so they can make adequate preparations for our lunch. Cancellations after January 20th will be billed. Thank you in advance.

Special Guest will be the Honorable Jim Murphy, Former State Representative Texas House District 133



2023 is here and that means that the Texas Legislature is going into session beginning January 10, 2023, through May 29, 2023. But don't let the dates fool you. Our legislators are already busy drafting bills to be presented for consideration. There are many hot topics being considered including the budget, election integrity, parental rights, prohibition of gender modification in children, Ad Valorem taxes, redistricting, and much more. In fact, there have already been over 800 proposed house bills filed.

Jim Murphy, our beloved former state representative for House District 133 is going to give us a legislative primer on how we can make a difference. Do you have a topic that is important to you? Jim will tell us how we can find the bills that relate to a particular topic, follow them, and make a difference

in getting them passed or in some cases defeated.

Jim Murphy served seven terms in the Texas Legislature. He has served as Chairman of the House Committee on Higher Education, Chairman of the House Republican Caucus, and Chairman of the House on Pensions, Investments and Financial Services, Special Purpose Districts, and Corrections committees. He has also served on the Ways and Means Committee.

Representative Murphy's legislative record focused on expanding the economy, ensuring public safety, improving education, and empowering taxpayers. He has been named "Legislator of the Year" by organizations representing local governments, public charter schools, and private businesses.

Prior to serving in the Legislature, Murphy was twice elected to the HCC Board of Trustees and has served on numerous boards in the community including the Houston West Chamber of Commerce, West Houston Medical Center, the Houston Association of Commercial Real Estate Professionals, and the Urban Land Institute. Murphy's community service also includes work with the Jaycees, where he previously served as Texas State President. He is a founding member and past Vice Chair of the Alief Education Foundation and was appointed to the John Ben Shepperd Public Leadership Institute's Advisory Council by the University of Texas Board of Regents. Representative Murphy was raised in West Houston and is a graduate of Strake Jesuit and UT Austin. He and his wife, Dr. Kathleen Murphy are members of St. John Vianney Catholic Church. Together, they have 2 incredible sons, 2 wonderful daughters-in-law, and a very dynamic grandson.

Come prepared to ask questions and get answers!