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The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority Appoints Elshad Garayev, CFA, CPA as Chief Financial Officer

JACKSON, MS – The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority has named Elshad Garayev, CFA, CPA as Chief Financial Officer. In this role, he will oversee all aspects of financial management, including budgeting, regulatory compliance, and financial analysis. He will also manage the organization's investment portfolio, ensuring alignment with the Authority's financial goals and risk tolerance. He began his new position on December 27, 2023.

With over 20 years of experience in finance leadership and controllership, Mr. Garayev brings a wealth of knowledge from his prior roles, including Principle of Finance, Operational Excellence Leader at Amazon, Subsidiary CFO for Boeing, and CFO for RPK



Elshad Garayev, CPA

Capital. Most recently, he was Chief Financial Officer for Flora Growth, an emerging growth biopharmaceutical company. Mr. Garayev's expertise spans aviation finance, e-commerce, investment management, and energy.

"I am both excited and honored to have been selected for the role of Chief Financial Officer at the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority," said Mr. Garayev. "The opportunity to join such a dynamic and forward-thinking team and to contribute to JMAA's mission is an absolute privilege. What excites me most about this role is the chance to apply my diverse experience in finance, aviation, and investment management to propel JMAA's financial strategies and bolster its strategic growth. I look forward to collaborating with the Executive Management team to deliver innovative financial solutions to enhance our operational capabilities.

Mr. Garayev attended Georgia State University as a transfer/exchange student (as recipient of President's 1000/1000 program" grant (scholarship) by USIA), later transferring his credits to the University of Houston. There, he secured his MBA in Finance in 2002. Additionally, his Master's Degree in Mathematics, obtained from Baku State in 1993, equivalently covered both his bachelor's and master's education. He is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and holds certifications as a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and a Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst (CAIA).

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