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REBUILDING ADVOCATES STATEMENT ON RECOVERY CZAR TRANSITION

Odum Steps Down As Recovery Czar, Stephen Costello Takes the Reins As Phase 2 Begins

HOUSTON - Today, **Chrishelle Palay, executive director of the HOME coalition** released the following statement regarding Mayor Turner's announcement on Recovery Czar transitions.

"The HOME Coalition appreciates the efforts of Marvin Odum as he understood the need for an equitable recovery in Hurricane Harvey rebuilding efforts. HOME looks forward to continuing to work with Mayor Turner and his administration along with former City Councilmember and Chief Resilience Officer Stephen Costello to ensure an equitably recovery, specifically in Houston's most devastated and historically underserved neighborhoods."

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Houston Organizing Movement for Equity (HOME) is a coalition of community, policy and service-based organizations committed to an equitable recovery from Hurricane Harvey for all Houstonians. For updates, follow us on Twitter <u>@HOME Coalition</u>.

Tweets:

- HOME Coalition: We look forward to continuing to work with Mayor Turner and with Former City Councilmember Stephen Costello on ensuring an equitable recovery of Houston's most devastated and historically underserved neighborhoods
- PALAY: Think equity as Houston transition to Phase 2 of disaster recovery @chrishelle3
- Odum Steps Down As Recovery Czar, Stephen Costello, former City Councilmember & Chief Resilience Officer Takes the Reins As Phase 2 Begins https://www.chron.com/news/houston-texas/houston/article/Houston-s-Harvey-recovery-czar-stepping-down-13427858.php