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**Z Krewe Announces Its Processional Plans for Mardi Gras 2008!**

GALVESTON, TX -- Z Krewe, one of Galveston's preeminent Mardi Gras krewes, announces its Processional plans for the 2009 Mardi Gras celebration.

On February 21, 2009, starting at 1:00 p.m., Z Krewe will hold its 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Zanie Processional through the streets of downtown Galveston and the Historic Strand District.

The annual parade will be led by Z Krewe's Big Daddy #15 Leon Kaplan and Big Momma #15 Carroll Pfeiffer-Cobb, who will be followed by King and Queen Zanie XV and their Royal Zoots and Zaftigs. The parade will also feature bands, military units, and revelers from other Mardi Gras krewes. And once again this year, the Philadelphia Mummers will join the Processional, with their unique costumes and style of music that will leave you dancing in the streets!

The parade will feature Z Krewe's theme for 2009, a Salute to Italy, and will proceed along Mechanic Street, from 25<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> Streets, up 20<sup>th</sup> to Strand, and then back up the Strand to 25<sup>th</sup> Street. During this event, Zanies will perpetuate the spirit of Mardi Gras by throwing "Z Best Beads" to the crowd. As they pass the Trumpets balcony, King and Queen Zanie XIV and their royal court of Zoots and Zaftigs will salute the crowd and begin the party on the Strand.

Z Krewe is a Galveston-based not-for-profit Mardi Gras organization founded in 1994. Z Krewe has 150 dedicated members and a growing ambassador membership from around the world. We have a devoted elected and appointed leadership that delivers a year-round calendar of activities, which includes first class events and "zanie" fun gatherings in its drive to "perpetuate the spirit of Mardi Gras." Throughout its history, Z Krewe has been proud to have contributed thousands of dollars and volunteer hours to many local charities and organizations.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Processional Committee Chair, Paul Rodgers, at 409-933-4413, or by attending a Z Krewe general meeting from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month, at La Haciendas Mexican Bar and Grill, 1020 NASA Road One, Webster, Texas 77598

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