

Shaw Named To Market Post By Landrieu

Mayor Moon Landrieu has named Clay Shaw, the key figure in Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's unsuccessful attempt to prove a New Orleans-based conspiracy to kill President John F. Kennedy, to the board of directors of the French Market Corp.

Shaw, 57, assumes the unsalaried position only a few weeks after a federal judge enjoined Garrison from prosecuting Shaw for perjury. The district attorney had contended the New Orleans businessman lied under oath during the 1969 trial in which he was found innocent of conspiring to murder Kennedy.

"I'M VERY pleased, of course," Shaw said of the appointment. "The French Quarter has many problems. I hope I can be helpful."

Shaw, who has said the Garrison prosecution ruined him financially, had no comment yesterday when asked if

his appointment represents a step toward a new life in his native New Orleans.

A former managing director of the International Trade Mart, he has also served as acting managing director of International House, program director for the Foreign Policy Association of New Orleans and secretary of the Mississippi Valley World Trade Council.

THE FRENCH Market Corp., a city agency, regulates the activities of the French Market, including leases for use of city-owned buildings within the French Market complex. Members of the board serve at the mayor's discretion and appointments are not subject to City Council approval.

Landrieu, who did not mention the conspiracy case in making the appointment, pointed to Shaw's efforts in restoration and rehabilitation of French Quarter buildings. Some 16 structures in the Vieux Carré were restored by Shaw between 1949 and 1960, the mayor said.

"Mayor Landrieu's approach to the Quarter is very imaginative," Shaw commented. He said the closing of Royal and Bourbon Streets to traffic on a 30-day trial basis was innovative and delightful and I'm pleased to have an opportunity to have a part in it.