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Shaw Named To Market Post By Landrieu



CLAY SHAW

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 men-

tion 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 Carre 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."

LANDRIEU also announced he has reappointed August Perez Jr. to the City Planning Commission for a term ending June 30, 1980. The appointment of Perez, a New Orleans architect and former chairman of the commission, is subject to confirmation by the City Council.

Three persons were named

by the mayor to terms on the Orleans Parish welfare board ending June 30, 1976, also subject to council approval.

They are Mrs. Ruth Joiner, Mrs. Mary Ethel Steffen and Robert Green.

MRS. JOINER, mother of six children, is chairman of the St. Bernard Area Welfare Rights Organization, vice president of the New Orleans Tenants Organization and chairman of Concerned Sisters of St. Bernard Tenants.

Mrs. Steffen, president of the Independent Women's Organization, and legislative chairman in New Orleans for the American Association of University Women, has four children.

Green is a licensed funeral director and vice president of the Louisiana AFL-CIO. A graduate of Dillard University, he is also a member of the Southeastern Louisiana Building Construction Council.