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VIKINGS ANNOUNCE ADDITIONS TO COACHING STAFF

Eden Prairie, MN (January 19, 2011) – The Minnesota Vikings have made the following additions to their 2011 coaching staff:

Bill Musgrave – Offensive Coordinator

Fred Pagac - Defensive Coordinator

Mike Priefer – Special Teams Coordinator

Mike Singletary – Special Assistant to the Head Coach/Linebackers Coach

Bill Musgrave joins the Vikings after helping lead the Atlanta Falcons to a 13-3 record and the NFC's No. 1 seed in the 2010 playoffs. The Atlanta offense will be represented by five players in this year's Pro Bowl. He has spent five seasons in Atlanta as the quarterbacks coach and was named Assistant Head Coach prior to the 2010 season. Musgrave is an 11-year NFL coaching veteran and spent six seasons as a backup QB in the NFL behind Joe Montana, Steve Young and John Elway. Musgrave helped Falcons' QB Matt Ryan earn Rookie of the Year honors in 2008 and a Pro Bowl berth in 2010.

Fred Pagac (PUG-itch) takes the reigns as the defensive coordinator after serving five seasons as the Vikings linebackers coach. He has 10 years of coaching experience in the NFL in addition to 23 years of experience in the college ranks at his alma mater Ohio State. After finishing his playing career as a tight end with the Buckeyes, Pagac played two seasons in the NFL.

Mike Priefer (pre-fur) joins the Vikings organization after spending the past two seasons as the Denver Broncos' special teams' coordinator. A nine-year NFL veteran has seen his special teams units account for 12 scores on special teams (11 TDs, 1 safety) and 15 blocked kicks. Priefer's father, Chuck, was a long-time special teams coach in the NFL working for 17 years with the Green Bay Packers, San Diego Chargers, and Detroit Lions.

Mike Singletary joins former Chicago Bears teammate Leslie Frazier after six seasons with the San Francisco 49ers, including three seasons as the head coach. He has eight years of NFL coaching experience in addition to a Hall of Fame playing career as a linebacker with the Bears (1981-92). Singletary entered the coaching ranks in 2003 with the Baltimore Ravens.

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