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**BILL BOYARSKY, FORMER LA TIMES EDITOR,
CONFIRMED AS LOS ANGELES CITY ETHICS COMMISSIONER**

The City Council today unanimously approved the nomination of Bill Boyarsky for a full five-year term to the Los Angeles City Ethics Commission. An award winning columnist and City Editor for more than 30 years with the Los Angeles Times, Boyarsky covered the inner workings of government and politics at the national, state and local levels, and served as a general assignment reporter and a member of teams that won three Pulitzer Prizes for reporting. Since his retirement from the Times in 2001, Boyarsky has been a lecturer and teacher at UC Berkeley and the University of Southern California as well as a consultant to the non-profit Center for Governmental Studies.

“By closely following City Hall over the years, Bill brings to his role as a Commissioner a unique take on government and its players,” said LeeAnn M. Pelham, the Commission’s Executive Director. “As a watchdog agency, the Commission is fortunate to have his reporter’s perspective and track record of independence.”

Boyarsky, nominated to the Commission by City Controller Laura Chick, will serve a five-year term ending June 30, 2008. He replaces former Commission President Miriam Krinsky, who was appointed in 1998 by then-Controller Rick Tuttle and whose term expired June 30 this year. Pursuant to the City Charter, each of the five Ethics Commissioners is appointed by a different elected official and may serve only one full term in office.

The City Ethics Commission is a semi-independent agency created by the voters in 1990 to administer and enforce the governmental ethics, campaign finance, and lobbying laws of the City of Los Angeles. In addition to conducting training programs, providing advice, auditing political campaigns and making legislative recommendations, the Commission is charged with conducting investigations and levying administrative penalties against violators. Since its inception, the agency has levied more than \$1 million in penalties.

To learn more about the work of the City Ethics Commission, please visit the Commission’s website at ethics.lacity.org.

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