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## ARACELI CAMPOS CONFIRMED AS NEW COMMISSIONER

The City Council unanimously confirmed Araceli Campos at its meeting on Tuesday, January 24, 2017, as the newest member of the Los Angeles City Ethics Commission.

Ms. Campos is the Executive Director of the Miguel Contreras Foundation, a non-profit organization devoted to enhancing educational opportunities and encouraging civic participation among low income communities. Ms. Campos has a demonstrated interest in civil rights issues. Her prior experience includes serving as corporate counsel at the Mexican American Legal Defense Fund (MALDEF), a national Latino civil rights organization. She also recently served as president of the City's Commission on the Status of Women, where she helped to support the success of women and girls and gender equity initiatives. She has also volunteered with the Los Angeles Homeless Veterans Clinic and the National Center for Refugee and Immigrant Children.

Ms. Campos holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Ethnicity, Race & Migration from Yale University and a Juris Doctor degree from Stanford Law School, where she was the President and Founder of the *Stanford Journal of Civil Rights/Civil Liberties*. She was appointed by Mayor Eric Garcetti to complete former Commissioner Ana Dahan's term, which ends June 30, 2020.

"We are pleased to welcome Commissioner Campos to the Ethics Commission," said Heather Holt, the Commission's executive director. "We look forward to learning from her legal and executive expertise."

The Ethics Commission was created by voters in 1990 to administer and enforce the City laws that help ensure fair and transparent government decisions. It has five part-time commissioners, who serve staggered five-year terms and are appointed by the Mayor, the City Attorney, the Controller, the City Council President, and the City Council President Pro Tem. Ms. Campos joins President Jessica Levinson, Vice President Serena Oberstein, Commissioner Melinda Murray, and Commissioner Andrea Sheridan Ordin.

The Ethics Commission was created by Los Angeles voters in 1990 to impartially administer and enforce the City's governmental ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying laws.