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Supervisor Ridley-Thomas Announces Selection of Yolanda C. Vera to Serve as Health Deputy

LOS ANGELES COUNTY - Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas has announced the hiring of Yolanda C. Vera to serve as Senior Deputy for healthcare services and advocacy for the Second District team.

Ms. Vera will be working closely with Supervisor Ridley-Thomas' Chief of Staff, Sylvia Drew Ivie; Vincent Harris, Special Assistant to Supervisor Ridley-Thomas; and a team of additional key health experts who will implement Supervisor Ridley-Thomas' agenda in approving healthcare, public health and mental health services in the Second Supervisorial District.

Ms. Vera has an extensive background in legal services with a dedicated focus on health related matters. As the Director of LA Health Action, a non-profit dedicated to improving the health of low-income Los Angeles County communities, Ms. Vera took the lead to preserve and improve healthcare throughout Los Angeles. "Yolanda will add great value to our team as a top flight advocate who has thoroughly examined County health services," Supervisor Ridley-Thomas said.

Ms. Vera has served as a board member of the Latino Coalition for a Healthy California and the Centinela Medical Fund. She is Co-Chair of the Health Committee of the L.A. Chamber of Commerce and previously appointed by Los Angeles City Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa to the Board of Civil Service Commissioners.

A resident of Los Angeles, Ms. Vera earned a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in English from Loyola Marymount University, and a Juris Doctorate (J.D.) from the UCLA School of Law.