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Supervisor Pat Bates Presents County Accomplishments for 2009

SANTA ANA – Supervisor Patricia C. Bates presented a speech today at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors highlighting the County’s accomplishments in 2009 while she served as Honorable Chair of the Board.

During her comments, Supervisor Bates said that when she took over as Chair one year ago she pledged to uphold the Board’s commitment to responsible budgeting and ensuring the fiscal soundness of the County. “To that end, over the past year, the Board has steered the County through one of the most concentrated efforts to scale back expenditures in our history; and it has been no easy endeavor,” stated Supervisor Bates.

The speech also outlined a number of Fifth District specific accomplishments in 2009 including her efforts, in partnership with LAFCO, to establish a working group which facilitated a series of meetings between the City of Rancho Santa Margarita and the unincorporated Fifth District communities of Coto de Caza and Las Flores, to discuss potential future governance options.

Looking forward to 2010, Supervisor Bates stated, “I intend to follow through on my commitment to improve regional mobility in South Orange County by working aggressively to implement the goals of the South Orange County Major Investment Study, to find a solution for completing the 241 and to continue to facilitate the various I-5 interchange improvement projects which will dramatically reduce bottlenecking at our busiest off-ramps and relieve overall congestion.”

Supervisor Bates represents the Fifth District which includes the cities of Aliso Viejo, Dana Point, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Woods, Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Rancho Santa Margarita, San Clemente, San Juan Capistrano, the community of Newport Coast, as well as the unincorporated areas of Coto de Caza, Ladera Ranch, Las Flores, and Wagon Wheel.

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