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## **Veronica Padilla-Campos Joins South Coast AQMD Governing Board**

**DIAMOND BAR** – On Friday, Veronica Padilla-Campos was sworn in as the newest member of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) Governing Board, replacing Dr. William Burke who recently retired after 27 years of service on the Board, including an unprecedented 23 years as chair. Padilla-Campos was appointed to the Board by Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood).

“I look forward to working on the South Coast AQMD Governing Board to bring clean air across the region and provide an additional voice to environmental justice communities that face the brunt of air pollution.” said Padilla-Campos.

Throughout the last decade, Padilla-Campos has played a crucial role at Pacoima Beautiful, a grassroots environmental justice organization that provides education, impacts local policy and supports local arts and culture to promote a healthy and sustainable San Fernando Valley. She joined Pacoima Beautiful as Deputy Director in 2010 and has served as Executive Director since 2013.

Padilla-Campos brings to the South Coast AQMD Governing Board experience from the private, public and non-profit sectors including environmental consulting, GIS mapping and work for the Los Angeles Housing Department. She also served on the Los Angeles City Planning Commission for five years from October 2015 to November 2020.

Padilla-Campos will finish the remainder of Dr. Burke’s four-year term which ends January 15, 2022.

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