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South Coast AQMD to Host 8th Annual Cesar Chavez Day of Remembrance Event

DIAMOND BAR – This Saturday, March 26, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) will host the 8th Annual Cesar Chavez Day of Remembrance event celebrating Cesar Chavez's legacy and all those who continue to work for equity and environmental justice.

This year's celebration focuses on the importance of partnering with local communities to address air pollution and environmental inequalities.

ABC7 Eyewitness News community journalist, Eric Resendiz, will serve as Emcee. Las Colibri will provide musical entertainment for the event. Among the speakers are:

- **Reverend Walter Contreras**, faith organizer for CLUE (Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice), will give the invocation and benediction.
- Teresa Romero, President of the United Farm Workers (UFW) will give the keynote address.
- Patty Itliong Serda, daughter of Filipino-American labor activist Larry Itliong, will accept the
 Richard Alatorre Environmental Justice for All award on behalf of her late father. Mr. Itliong was
 an instrumental part of the farmworker labor movement and left a legacy of fighting for social
 and economic justice.

Additionally, **U.S. Representative Tony Cardenas** will be honored with the Richard Alatorre Environmental Justice for All award for his efforts and contributions to help protect the public health and improve air quality for all people in the region. South Coast AQMD Governing Board member Veronica Padilla-Campos will be accepting on his behalf.

Who: South Coast AQMD Governing Board Vice Chair Vanessa Delgado

What: The 8th Annual Cesar Chavez Day of Remembrance celebrating the legacy of Cesar Chavez. This inperson event will be a free luncheon to registered participants.

When: The event will be held Saturday, March 26, 2022, at 11:30 a.m. to approximately 1:00 p.m.

Where: The Center at Cathedral Plaza, 555 W Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90012

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