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UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MWD BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCES REORGANIZATION AND APPOINTED DELEGATES

MONROVIA, CA – The Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (Upper District) Board of Directors has conducted its annual selection of officers and made appointments to several regional agencies. Director Ed Chavez was appointed to a sixth year as Board President.

"I have the distinct honor of continuing to represent the San Gabriel Valley communities as the Upper District board president," Board President Ed Chavez said. "Together, with my fellow board members, I will continue to progressively approach water conservation, and make water supply investments today to ensure a healthy and sustainable groundwater basin for years to come."

Director Chavez is serving his fourth term on the board and will continue to serve as the district's representative to the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority (WQA). Director Chavez, an educator, is a former board member of the Bassett Unified School District, former mayor and councilmember of the City of La Puente, and a former member of the California State Assembly representing the 57th District. Director Chavez represents Division 3 which includes all, or parts of, Avocado Heights, City of Industry, Hacienda Heights, La Puente, and South El Monte.

The remaining officer positions elected include Jennifer Santana as Vice President, Katarina Garcia as Secretary, and Director Charles M. Treviño as Treasurer. Director Anthony Fellow completes the board, representing Division 1. The officers serve one-year terms, and the board meets regularly at 8:00 a.m. on the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Director Fellow was also elected to continue serving as the Upper District representative on the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) Board of Directors. Fellow previously served as a Metropolitan board director for 17 years, between 1993 and 2011.

Additionally, the following board members are serving as representatives or delegates on several water and regional associations on behalf of Upper District:

- <u>Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster</u>: Directors Anthony Fellow and Charles Trevino as the Representatives
- <u>Association of California Water Association JPIA</u>: Director Katarina Garcia as the Representative and Director Charles Trevino as the Alternate.

- <u>San Gabriel Valley Water Association</u>: Director Jennifer Santana as the Representative and Director Anthony Fellow as the Alternate.
- San Gabriel Valley Protective Association: Director Jennifer Santana as the Representative.
- San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments: Director Jennifer Santana as the Delegate.

Upper District's mission is to provide a reliable, sustainable, diversified, and affordable portfolio of high-quality water supplies to the San Gabriel Valley; including water conservation, recycled water, storm water capture, storage, water transfers and imported water. Upper District services nearly one million people in its 144 square mile service territory. Governed by a five-member elected board of directors, Upper District is a member agency of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Annually, more than 78 billion gallons of water is used in Upper District's service area. For more information about Upper District, please visit our website www.upperdistrict.org or call 626-443-2297.

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