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### **MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA APPOINTS FORMER ASSEMBLYMEMBER WALLY KNOX TO DWP COMMISSION**

LOS ANGELES – Mayor Villaraigosa today announced the appointment of former Assemblymember Wally Knox to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) Board of Commissioners.

“Wally Knox is a respected and renowned public servant,” Mayor Villaraigosa said. “He brings a breadth of experience in setting policy agendas and is a leader on protecting the environment. Wally’s expertise in labor relations will be an invaluable asset to the Board.”

Knox has two decades of experience as a public servant, having served in the California State Assembly from 1994 to 2000 and as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District from 1987 to 1994. Knox, an attorney, has a strong understanding of labor relations law and its application in both public and private sector employment in California. He has worked for both the California Public Employee Relations Board and the National Labor Relations Board.

In each of his six years in the Assembly, Assemblymember Knox earned a score of 100 percent from the California League of Conservation Voters with a perfect pro-environment voting record.

The Board of Water and Power Commissioners, a five-member panel, establishes policy for LADWP.

Knox’s appointment is subject to confirmation by City Council.

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**Biography – Wallace B. Knox**

Wallace Knox is most recently the founder and executive director of the Institute for the Middle Class. Previously, Knox served three terms as a member of the California State Assembly from 1994 to 2000 representing the people of the 42<sup>nd</sup> District from West Los Angeles.

Knox has also served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District, 1987 to 1994. Knox was a partner with Greenstone, Holguin, Garfield and Knox and has worked for the California Public Employee Relations Board and the National Labor Relations Board.

Knox received a B.A. from Harvard University, a J.D. from Hastings College of Law and a Masters in Sociology from UCLA. Knox served in the United States Army from 1967 to 1971 and is a veteran of Vietnam conflict. He is a member of the board of the Los Angeles Free Clinic. He is married to Elizabeth Garfield and has two daughters, Aviva and Tamara. The family is members of Temple Israel of Hollywood.

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