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COMMISSIONER ALAN M. GLASSMAN HAS BEEN NOMINATED BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND APPOINTED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CITIZENS' ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION

On April 1, 2008, Dr. Alan M. Glassman was nominated by Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky and approved by the Board of Supervisors to be a commissioner on the Economy and Efficiency Commission.

Dr. Glassman is Professor of Management and Director of the Center for Management and Organization Development at California State University, Northridge. He received his doctorate in labor relations with cognate areas in social psychology and organizational theory/behavior from the State University of New York at Buffalo. Dr. Glassman has been an active consultant in the public sector at the State, County, and City levels in the areas of (1) transformational and profound organization change, (2) strategic planning formulation and implementation, (3) leadership development, and (4) organizational assessments. Dr. Glassman has served as Chair of the Managerial Consultation Division of the Academy of Management, President of the Western Academy of Management, editor of *Consultation: An International Journal*, and co-editor/editor of the *Journal of Management Inquiry*.

Dr. Glassman has authored/co-authored five books and approximately 50 refereed articles; he has presented over 60 papers at professional conferences. His latest book is *Thinking Strategically in Turbulent Times: An Insider's View*. Dr. Glassman has been the recipient of several professional awards for innovative program design and contributions to the profession.

Dr. Glassman commented upon his appointment that "In these increasingly turbulent times, when we must find better ways to meet the needs of our residents, I feel privileged by the opportunity to continue my career focus on better government. I look forward to exploring emerging best practices and discussing their applicability to our County with my colleagues."

Each of the five members of the Board of Supervisors appoints four commissioners to the Economy and Efficiency Commission for a two year term. The commissioners may be reappointed. The previous year's Grand Jury Foreperson is appointed by the Board as the Commission's 21st member. Created in 1964, the Commission is charged with reviewing all aspects of local government management, operations and policies and submits recommendations to the Board of Supervisors with the objective of improving the economy, efficiency and effectiveness of local government. The members of this Commission provide their time to the County on a voluntary basis and serve without pay.