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JUDGE FRANCES MUÑOZ ACHIEVEMENT IN LAW & PUBLIC SERVICE

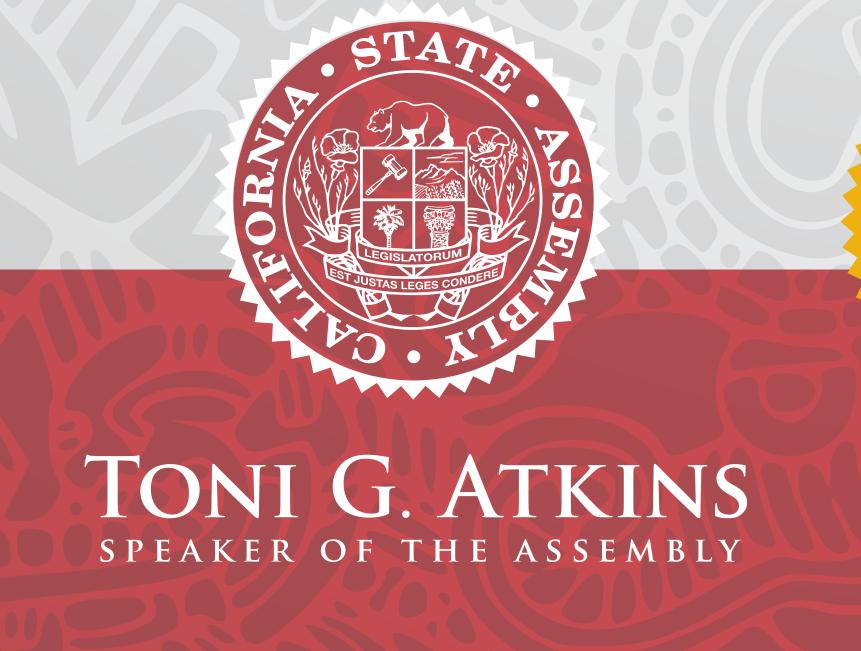
he Honorable Judge Frances Muñoz was appointed in 1978 by Governor Jerry Brown to the Orange County Harbor Judicial District as the first Mexican female judge in California. The fifth of eleven children, Judge Muñoz was the first to graduate from high school, but without the necessary financial resources to attend college, she went to work in business. In 1972, after ten years of night school and at the age of 41, Judge Muñoz received her Juris Doctorate from Southwestern University School of Law. Judge Muñoz has focused on the issues she is passionate about, including immigration, education, diversity in the legal system and family. Her commitment to the Latino community has also led her to found various organizations including the Hispanic Education Endowment and The Ralph Luevano Scholarship Foundation, and along with a small group of Latino attorneys and her brother she co-founded the Hispanic Orange County Bar Association. After 28 years on the bench, Judge Muñoz retired, but continues her public service on the bench as an assigned judge. Her presence on the bench is of particular importance to her since few Latinas in Orange County have been appointed to the court during her career and she feels that the bench needs to reflect the diversity of our State.



NORTHGATE GONZALEZ MARKET

ACHIEVEMENT IN BUSINESS & PHILANTHROPY

orthgate Gonzalez Market is a family-owned and operated business that spans three generations and prides itself on an unparalleled commitment to their community. Over 40 years ago, Miguel Gonzalez left his small town in Mexico to make a living in the United States. In 1980, with the help of his wife, sons and daughters, Don Miguel opened a 3,000 square foot grocery store in Anaheim. Widely recognized as a leader in ethnic retailing, Northgate Gonzalez Market now operates 38 supermarkets, serving consumers across Southern California. Northgate Gonzalez Market currently employs over 5,000 people and actively invests in developing future generations of managers and leaders. Known as a good corporate citizen, Northgate is also involved in a wide variety of community-based organizations and charitable programs through both its stores and their Gonzalez Reynoso Family Foundation. In 2009, Northgate's Viva La Salud program was developed to address the nutrition education and wellness needs of Northgate's customers and employees by promoting good nutrition habits and regular exercise, providing nutrition and chronic disease education, and sponsoring health fairs throughout their service areas.

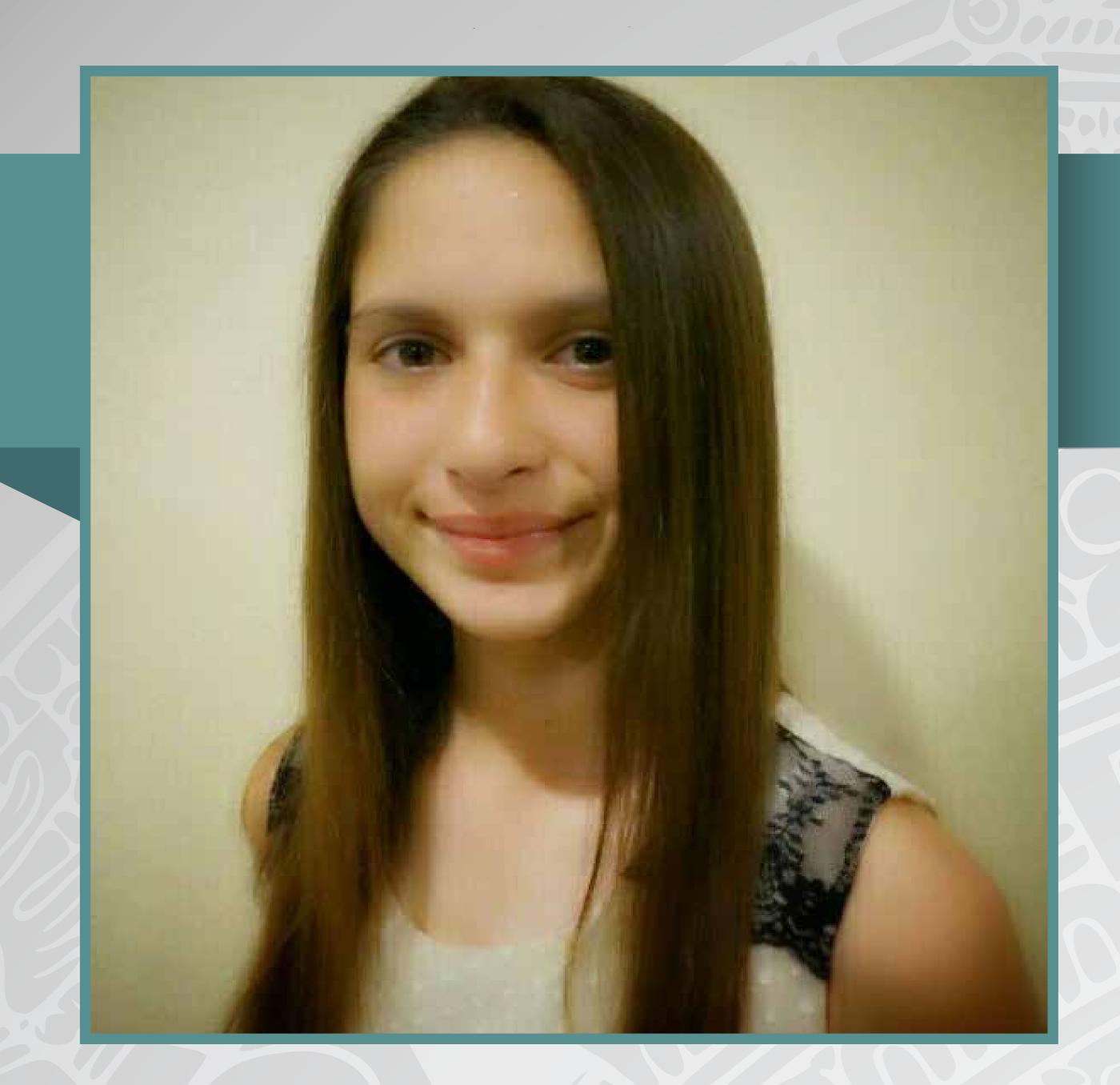






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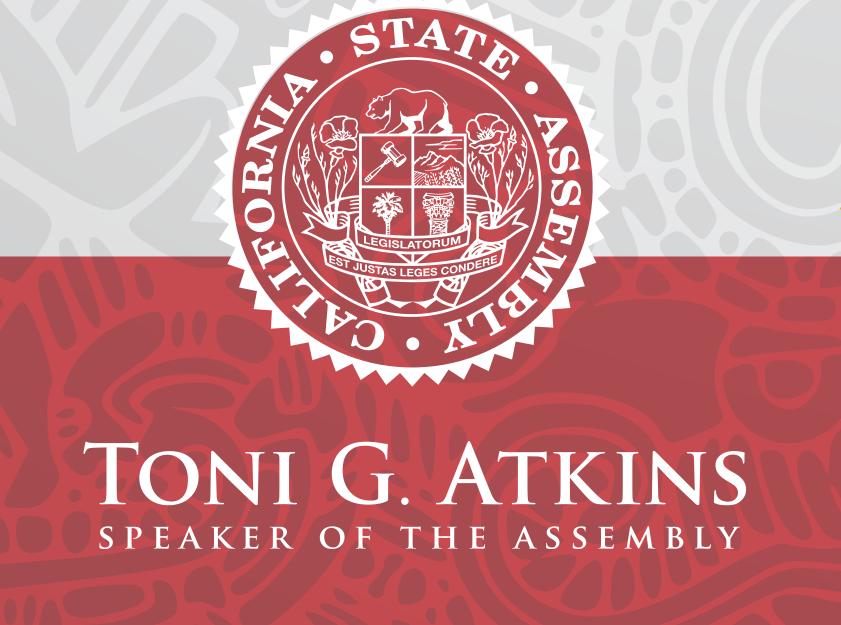
BLANCA RAMIREZ DYNAMIC YOUTH AWARD

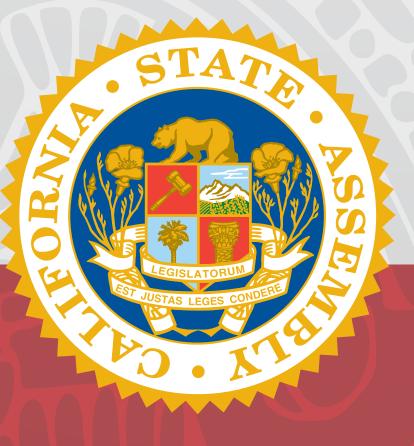
lanca Ramirez is a twelve year old marathon runner who recently earned a world record for the youngest girl to complete a marathon on each of the world's seven continents. A third generation Mexican-American, Blanca has lived in La Puente since the age of four. Blanca tried various sports and clubs before ultimately discovering her love of running. Running gave her the freedom to be herself, and the self-confidence and determination to make a difference. One day, while researching world records, Blanca discovered the title for the youngest girl to complete a marathon on each of the seven continents that was held by a 14 year old girl. That is when Blanca's journey to break the record began. She completed her feat in Antartica on Feb 19, 2015 after having run marathons in the United States, Rwanda, New Zealand, Paraguay, China, and France. Through her running she hopes to bring awareness to Operation Smile, a non-profit that provides free surgeries to repair cleft palates and other facial deformities for children around the globe, because she feels every kid should smile. Like most teenage girls Blanca spends most of her free time with her family and friends.



SERGIO ROMO ACHIEVEMENT IN ATHLETICS

ergio Romo is a three-time World Series Champion (2010, 2012, 2014) as a relief pitcher for the San Francisco Giants. Originally from Brawley, California, Romo's love of baseball began at an early age. Sergio's father Frank, who played semi-pro baseball in Mexicali, bought Sergio his first glove when he was 2. Although Sergio pitched well in high school, he received no scholarship offers from four-year schools because his size at the time - 5 feet 7 inches - was short for his position. Sergio went on to attend several colleges, before completing his collegiate career at Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colorado, where he went 14-1, broke six school records, and was named Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Pitcher of the Year. In 2005, he was drafted by the San Francisco Giants and made his MLB debut in June 2008. He has achieved many great feats with the Giants including receiving the Baseball Setup Man of the Year Award in 2012, being named to the All-Star team in 2013, and serving as the Giants closer throughout the 2012 postseason in which he recorded the last out in nine of the Giant's eleven wins. Romo is also extremely active in the Bay Area community, attending and participating in several community events, including challenger clinics and Make-A-Wish Nights.









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MARIA ELENA DURAZO

ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLIC SERVICE

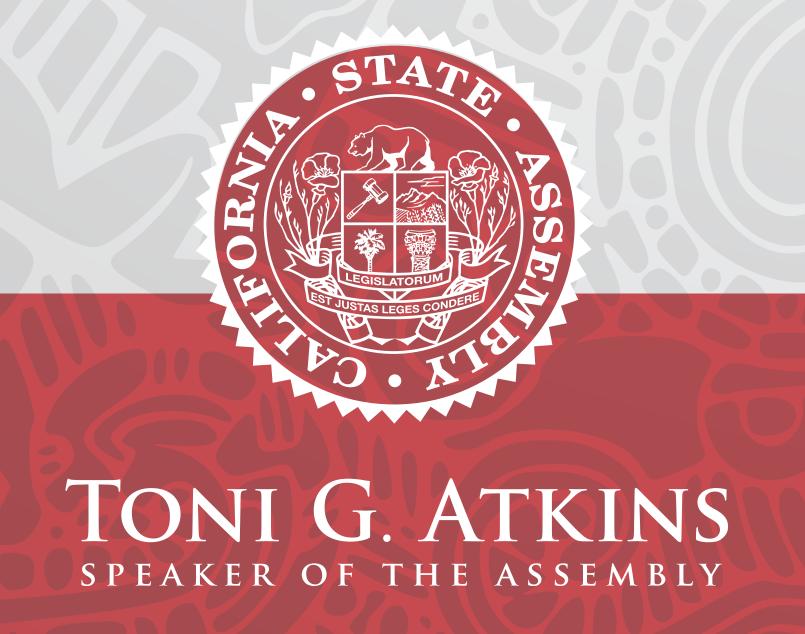
aria Elena Durazo is a respected labor leader and a fierce advocate for the rights of the working class and immigrants. The daughter of Mexican immigrant farm workers, Maria Elena `learned the importance of hard work and determination at a very young age. As a child, she traveled from Oregon to California with her parents and nine siblings to work in the fields. In 1983, she started working at the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union (HERE) Local 11 as an organizer, and in 1996 she was the first Latina elected to the Executive Board of HERE International Union. In 2003, she became National Director of the Immigrant Workers' Freedom Ride, a national campaign to improve the nation's immigration laws. In 2006, Durazo became the first woman elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, a position she would hold for nine years. In 2010, she was elected a Vice President of the national AFL-CIO Executive Council, and was Chair of the National AFL-CIO's Immigration Committee. On January 1, 2015, Durazo began her next chapter in life as International Union Vice President for Civil Rights, Diversity and Immigration with UNITE HERE.

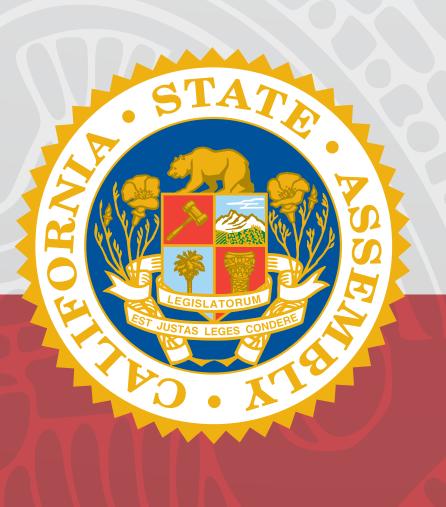


JOSÉ R. PADILLA

ACHIEVEMENT IN LAW & PUBLIC SERVICE

osé R. Padilla has dedicated his 37-year legal career to advocating for the rights of California's farm worker and rural poverty communities through California Rural Legal Assistance (CRLA). He was born and raised in the Imperial Valley to parents who came from farm worker families. He attended Stanford University and received his law degree from Boalt Hall School of Law at UC Berkeley in 1978. After graduating, José spent his first six years with CRLA as a staff attorney and later Directing Attorney of CRLA's Imperial Valley, El Centro Office. In 1984, José was selected to serve as the Executive Director of CRLA, a position he has held for 31 years. He oversees the administration of what is considered one of the premier and most respected Legal Services programs in the country. CRLA has 22 offices which serve the rural poor in some 24 California counties. Through its Migrant Unit, CRLA's legal work addresses the special needs of farm workers with cases focusing on pesticide exposure, housing, labor, education, civil rights, and environmental justice. Annually, CRLA assists more than 40,000 rural poor with legal services.











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ROLANDO HERREA

ACHIEVEMENT IN BUSINESS

olando Herrera is a proprietor and winemaker at Mi Sueño Winery and was instrumental in the founding of the Mexican-American Vintners Association, along with being the founding president of the association. His life in the wine business began as a dishwasher and line cook, two jobs he attributes to enhancing not only his appreciation of the magic that is created when you pair beautiful cuisine with exceptional wine. Over the next twenty years, his journey took him through various winemaking positions and eventually to the creation of "Mi Sueño" wine. From working in the cellars of the famed Stag's Leap Wine Cellars to being the Director of Winemaking for Paul Hobbs Consulting. His initial batch of 1997 Los Carneros Chardonnay produced 200 cases and from there the business took off. Several vintages later, his wine would be honored at the White House for a state dinner while hosting then Mexican President Vicente Fox. In 2010, after being invited by the Governor of Michoacán to share his wines at the Michoacán State Fair, Rolando saw an opportunity for other Mexican-American vintners to do the same so he encouraged the Governor to extend the invitation to ten other Mexican-American vintners from the Napa and Sonoma Valleys. After a successful trip, the ten vintners decided to establish an association because they recognized their similar personal histories and heritage have a value that can be leveraged not only in Mexico, but also in the U.S. where Mexican-Americans are one of the fastest growing consumer groups. They established the Mexican-American Vintners Association, which serves not only as a marketing vehicle but also a source of motivation and support for future generations of aspiring Mexican-American winemakers and winery professionals.



