Memorial Proclamation

OF APPRECIATION

Honoring

CARMEN RAMIREZ

Whereas, the City of Oxnard, the County of Ventura and the region of Southern California lost a valued leader and friend on August 12, 2022, with the death of the Honorable Carmen Ramirez; and

Whereas, Ms. Ramirez had an exemplary record of leadership, integrity and service to the Southern California region and its residents as a Councilmember for the City of Oxnard, as a Ventura County Supervisor and as First Vice President of the Southern California Association of Governments; and

Whereas, Ms. Ramirez spent her life in dedicated service to her community, championing sustainability, mobility and equity, and tirelessly supporting numerous local civic organizations including the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District, Ventura County Community Foundation, Ventura County Transportation Commission, Camarillo and Oxnard Airport Authorities, and the Center for Civic Education; and

Whereas, Ms. Ramirez contributed great leadership and insight for the Southern California Association of Governments as a member of the Regional Council and the Energy and Environment Committee, where she made significant contributions to the coordination of regional planning issues to improve quality of life for the region’s residents; and

Whereas, Ms. Ramirez was a trailblazing leader and beloved friend whose kindness, intelligence and tenacity enriched all those fortunate enough to know and work with her.

Therefore, Be It Proclaimed, that the Regional Council and staff of the Southern California Association of Governments hereby recognize the many contributions of Ms. Ramirez over the course of her distinguished career and her legacy of dedicated service to the region, and therefore hereby rename, in her honor, the annual SCAG Scholarship awarded in Ventura County as the “Carmen Ramirez Memorial Scholarship.”

And, Be It Further Proclaimed, that the Regional Council and the staff of the Southern California Association of Governments do hereby extend deepest condolences to her family and the many people she touched, and express the intention that the Regional Council hereby confer on Ms. Ramirez posthumously, in memory of her dedication and service to SCAG, the honorary title of Regional Council President, In Memoriam, in 2023-2024.

September 1, 2022

Jan C. Harnik
President

Kome Ajise
Executive Director