

### DARYL L. OSBY, CHIEF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

On February 17, 2011, Daryl L. Osby was sworn in by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as the ninth Fire Chief of the Los Angeles County Fire Department. He has served as a member of the Los Angeles County Fire Department (LACoFD) for almost 27 years, including 15 as an accomplished chief officer. Just prior to his appointment as Fire Chief, Osby served as Chief Deputy of Business Operations, a role in which he

successfully managed the Department's Administration, Prevention, and Special Services Bureaus; Risk Management Division; Employee Relations Division and Professional Performance Section. He has steadily risen up within the organization, and has held every rank, including Fire Fighter, Paramedic, Fire Fighter Specialist, Fire Prevention Inspector, Fire Captain, Battalion Chief, Assistant Chief, Deputy Chief, and Chief Deputy.

Now as Fire Chief, Osby heads one of the largest emergency services agencies in the world, providing traditional fire and life safety services to more than 4.1 million residents and commercial business customers in 58 cities served by the Department, and all the unincorporated areas of the County within its 2,200-square-mile service delivery area. The Department's 171 fire stations, nearly 3,000 emergency responders and more than 1,000 business professionals operate on an annual budget of over \$900 million. In addition, the County of Los Angeles Fire Department provides lifeguard, health hazardous materials, and forestry services throughout the County.

Osby has served as a board member of Learning for Life's Fire Explorer program and also the Stentorians of Los Angeles County. He is affiliated with many fire service organizations, including the National Fire Protection Association, Business and Industry Council for Emergency Planning and Preparedness, Human Services Association, California State Board of Fire Services, and is a former member and chair of the Emergency Preparedness Commission.

He has received much recognition from the fire service for his contributions. A short list includes the Community Service Stentorian Fire Fighter-of-the-Year Commendation, the Overachievers Award from the Los Angeles County Firefighters Association, and the Gwen Bolden Foundation's Badge of Honor. Osby has been recognized by the Department with the Distinguished Community Service Commendation, Community Service Commendation, and Community Service Award.

# HELEN E. JO, DEPUTY CHIEF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Deputy Chief Helen Jo joined the Los Angeles County Fire Department in 1998 and is both the first woman and Korean-American in the Department's 85-year history to reach this executive level rank. She currently oversees the Department's Administrative Services Bureau, which manages Human Resources, Financial Management, Materials Management, and



Organizational Development. These divisions are responsible for the Department's hiring and payroll responsibilities; budgetary and expenditure activities; the procurement and acquisition of vehicles, telecommunication equipment, and all supplies and services; and management of employee training and development.

Deputy Chief Jo began with her career with the Department as a budget officer, promoting to Chief of the Financial Management Division in 2002, and then to Deputy Chief in April 2008. When Chief Jo first joined our Department, she was interested in becoming a firefighter, but she soon realized that her contributions behind the scenes were equally valuable to the Department. Prior to working for our Department, she worked for the County of Los Angeles Department of Auditor-Controller.

#### **EMCEE**



# GENIE CHOUGH, Budget Deputy, Third District

Genie Chough currently serves as Deputy to Supervisor Zev Yaroslavksy, advising him on policy and fiscal matters pertaining to the \$23 billion Los Angeles County budget since February 2006. Genie has extensive experience at the federal and state levels of government working on health and human services issues, as well as the local level, as a consultant to the Department of Children and Family Services.

Prior to joining the County, she was appointed by the Governor in 2001 to serve as Assistant Secretary of the California Health and Human Services Agency in Sacramento and Ex Officio member of the First 5 California Commission. Genie previously worked in the White House under the Clinton Administration as Assistant Director of the Domestic Policy Council, as well as for the Assistant Secretary for Management and Budget of the US Department of Health and Human Services in Washington, DC.

Genie is a native of Los Angeles, and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Vassar College and a Masters in Public Policy from the University of California, Berkeley, Goldman School of Public Policy.

#### INSTALLATION CEREMONY - JUDGE AKEMI ARAKAKI

Judge Akemi Arakaki, of Monterey Park, served as a deputy public defender for the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office prior to her appointment to the bench. She is currently sitting in the Antelope Valley Courthouse hearing felony preliminary hearings. Prior to that, she was an attorney for the Law Offices of Steve Escovar in 1999. Arakaki earned a Juris Doctorate degree from Loyola Law School and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wellesley College.



## ASSEMBLYMAN MIKE ENG

Assemblyman Mike Eng serves 7 cities in the San Gabriel Valley. His public service includes ten years as a member of his local library board leading to a brand new library addition in Monterey Park; five years on the State Acupuncture Board, service as City Councilman and Mayor in his city; and almost five years in the California State Assembly.

He serves as Chair of the Assembly Banking and Finance Committee which has responsibility for California's banks and credit unions, mortgages and corporate securities laws. He also serves on Assembly Committees on Health, K12 Education, Transportation, Business and Professions. He was an at risk youth who almost dropped out of middle school; but with the help of wonderful educators and loving parents, he completed his Bachelor's, Master's and Law Degrees, became a lawyer and part time Community College Instructor. His leadership has brought millions of dollars and jobs to the San Gabriel Valley for clean-up of polluted drinking water; mass transit expansion; and community colleges.

Assemblyman Eng is a passionate advocate for youth, immigrants, seniors, working families and protection of the environment. He has been a legislative leader on health, mental health, environmental, and educational disparities in the Asian American and other communities.