Chairman Nelson and Vice Chair Bates Will Serve for 2014

(Santa Ana, CA) — Board Chairman Shawn Nelson and Vice Chair Patricia Bates will remain in their leadership posts for another year, supervisors decided Tuesday.

Supervisor Nelson represents the Fourth District, including the cities of Brea, Fullerton, La Habra and Placentia, as well as about half of Anaheim and portions of Buena Park and unincorporated North Orange County. The Fourth District has 610,310 residents and encompasses 89 square miles.

Supervisor Nelson was elected to the Board of Supervisors in June 2010. Previously, he was a member of the Fullerton City Council, to which he was elected in 2002, and twice was the city’s appointed mayor. He currently is chairman of the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors.

Supervisor Bates was sworn in to her Board seat in January 2007 after serving in the state Assembly, where she was first elected in 1998. She also served on the Laguna Niguel City Council and was the city’s first mayor after its incorporation in 1989.

Supervisor Bates represents the Fifth District, which includes the cities of Aliso Viejo, Dana Point, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Woods, Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Rancho Santa Margarita, San Clemente and San Juan Capistrano, and a portion of Irvine. The Fifth District has 588,699 residents and stretches across 280 square miles.