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Cheryl Brown Elected for Second Term as Chair, California Commission on Aging

The 2024 term coincides with the Commission's 50th Anniversary

SACRAMENTO --- The California Commission on Aging (CCoA) re-elected Cheryl Brown to the position of Commission Chair at the November 9, 2023, General Meeting in Sacramento. In her first term, Chair Brown led the advancement of CCoA policy priorities, and legislation, and raised the visibility of the Commission. She will guide the Commission with Vice-Chair David Lindeman, who was also re-elected for the 2024 term.

Chair Brown brings a wealth of experience and skill to her role on the Commission, including two terms as a California State Assembly Member, years as a county urban planner, a background in journalism, and a lifelong practice of family caregiving. Commissioner Brown served as a founding member of the Stakeholder Advisory Committee for the Master Plan on Aging (MPA) and sat on the Equity in Aging Advisory Subcommittee. She is committed to implementing the MPA in California.

After winning re-election, Chair Brown thanked the Commission, stating:

"I believe in the "California for All" message. To that effort, I want to make multigenerational activities key. We will celebrate 50 Years as a Commission next year and I'm looking forward to leading that effort."

Commissioner Brown chairs the Commission's 50th Anniversary Committee, which is planning a grand celebration for June 26, 2024.

The California Commission on Aging serves as the principal advocacy body for older Californians and a catalyst for change that addresses emerging challenges and opportunities and celebrates Californians as they age. The Commission advises the Governor and Legislature, along with state, federal, and local agencies on programs and services that affect older adults. The Commission's work for older adults reflects the values of equity and inclusion; autonomy, choice, and access; respect and integrity; collaboration and partnership.

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