



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

August 14, 2024

Honorable Members of the City Council
c/o City Clerk
City Hall, Room 395

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have appointed Mr. John A. Pérez to the Board of Harbor Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2029.

I certify that in my opinion Mr. Pérez is especially qualified by reason of training and experience for the work which shall devolve upon him, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Mr. Pérez will fill the vacancy created by the departure of Diane Middleton.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Karen Bass'.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: John A. Pérez
Commission: Board of Harbor Commissioners
End of Term: 6/30/2029

Appointee Information

1. **Race:** Latinx
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Council District and neighborhood of residence:** 14 - Central
4. **Are you a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:**
7. **Occupation/profession:** Principal, Double Nickel Advisors, LLC
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Appointment
10. **Current composition of the commission (excluding appointee):**

| Commissioner | APC | CD | Race | Gender | Term End |
|------------------------|---------|----|-----------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Williams, Ishmun "Lee" | Harbor | 15 | African American and Latinx | M | 6/30/2026 |
| VACANT | | | | | 6/30/2029 |
| Renwick, Edward | West LA | 11 | Caucasian | M | 6/30/2027 |
| Roybal-Allard, Lucille | Central | 14 | Latinx | F | 6/30/2028 |
| Munoz, Michael | East LA | 14 | Latinx | M | 6/30/2025 |

John A. Pérez

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Double Nickel Advisors, LLC

Dec. 2014 – Present

Principal

Founder and principal of a strategic consulting firm that provides advice to industry leaders on solutions to complex public affairs and legislative concerns.

LEGISLATIVE & POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

California State Assembly

Mar. 2010 – May 2014

68th Assembly Speaker

Had ultimate responsibility for the Assembly's 1300 employees and \$156 million budget. During the Great Recession, crafted legislative solutions to end the state's cash flow crisis that forced the Golden State into issuing "IOU" promissory notes, and to resuscitate the state's credit rating, which had sunk to just two notches above junk status. Navigated bond financing and debt repayment strategies when California was facing the largest budget deficit in its history. Restored balance and stability to California's dysfunctional budget process and turned a \$60 billion-dollar deficit into a multi-billion-dollar surplus. Worked with the Obama White House and Governor Brown to greatly expand access to quality, affordable health care for Californians. Introduced AB 1602, which created the [California Health Benefit Exchange](#), the first such state-based program in the nation. Authored AB1X1, which made Medi-Cal available to one million Californians earning at or below 120 percent of the federal poverty limit. Authored Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Act, which repurposed unused bond funds to provide for multifamily housing and housing with supportive services for California veterans. Established the Middle Class Scholarship to address affordability and accessibility of higher education. Authored the initiative creating California's Rainy Day Fund, with strict accountability, to help the state weather economic downturns and prevent the need for tax increases or draconian cuts to vital services. The fund, approved by voters, has since grown to record levels.

California State Assembly

Dec. 2008 – Dec. 2014

Assemblymember of the 46th & 53rd District

Fought for tax credits that helped spur expansion and job creation in new technologies. Ensured passage of tax credits for new home construction following the Great Recession and collapse of California's housing market. Brought together utilities, labor unions, and clean energy producers to significantly expand California's production of clean energy, creating thousands of jobs in wind, solar and geothermal power. Served as Democratic Caucus Chair, Fourth ranking member of

Assembly Leadership team. Served on Assembly Committees on Appropriations, Business & Professions, Transportation, and Water, Parks & Wildlife.

United Food & Commercial Workers Union, Local 324

Jan. 2001 – Dec. 2008

Political Director

California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

Jan. 2000 – Dec. 2002

Political Director

United Food & Commercial Workers State Council

Jan. 1995 – Dec. 2000

Executive Director

International Union of Painters & Allied Trades Council 16

Jan. 1992 – Dec. 1995

Organizer

AFFILIATIONS & BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

University of California

Nov. 2014 – Present

Chair, Board of Regents July 2019 to-July 2021

Appointed to the University of California Board of Regents in November 2014 by Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. Also served as an Ex-officio Regent as the 68th Assembly Speaker. Began Chairmanship in July 2019 after election by the full Board of Regents. Resolved several longstanding, seemingly intractable challenges at the University, including eliminating of standardized testing in favor of more fair and equitable ways to assess student readiness for higher education, expanding the delivery of health care for women and members of the LGTBQ+ community, and resolving longtime labor disputes. Oversaw UC's response to COVID-19 on campuses and systemwide. Ensured the UC Board of Regents made one of the first endorsements of Proposition 14, the 2020 ballot initiative to provide an additional \$5.5 billion in funding for CIRM. Commissioned the Working Group on Innovation Transfer & Entrepreneurship to optimize the translation of basic research into practical solutions, thereby shortening the distance between the laboratory and the marketplace.

July 21, 2021 - present

Chair, Health Services Committee

Charged with strategic direction and oversight on matters pertaining to the University's health professions schools, academic health centers, health systems, non-hospital clinics and student health and counseling centers. Also oversees strategic initiatives including, leveraging scale for value in strategic sourcing, revenue cycles and pharmaceuticals. Also leads programs for data driven insights and innovation, which leverages data warehousing and analytics that aid in the development of planning and advocacy.

Democratic National Committee

1996 – 2020

Elected Member

President's Council on HIV/AIDS

1999 – 2003

Member under Presidents Clinton and Bush

National Speakers' Conference

2012 – 2013

President

California Voting Modernization Board

2002 – 2010

Chair

Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles

2005 – 2008

Member

California League of Conservation Voters

1998 – 2008

Member of the Board



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Dear Mr. Pérez:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Board of Harbor Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2029, subject to confirmation by the City Council.

To begin the appointment process, please review, sign, and return the enclosed Remuneration Form and undated Letters of Separation **within one week** of receiving this letter. These documents are necessary to ensure the most efficient, open, and accountable city government possible.

Mayor's Office policy requires all potential commissioners to be fingerprinted as part of the background check. The Commissions team will assist in connecting you with Personnel's Background Unit so that you may schedule an appointment to have this done. You must schedule the appointment **within one week** of receiving this letter.

Should this apply to your commission, you will be receiving a packet from the City Ethics Commission containing information about the City's conflict of interest laws, and a copy of the State Form 700/Statement of Economic Interests. You are required to complete and return this form **within 21 days** of your nomination to the City Ethics Commission via the California Fair Political Practices Commission's eDisclosure website, or by mailing the forms to City Hall at 200 N. Spring Street, 24th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90012. Any inquiries regarding this form should be directed to Nicole Enriquez at the City Ethics Commission by email at nicole.enriquez@lacity.org.

As part of the appointment process, Kevin de Leon, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Traci Park, the Chair of the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee, may wish to meet with you to answer any questions they have. Our office will assist with arranging these meetings.

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Additionally, you will be required to attend public meetings at City Hall where your appointment will be considered. You will be hearing from our office and a City Council Clerk who will let you know when your appointment will be considered by the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee. Sometime thereafter, you will be notified of the date when your appointment will be presented to the full City Council. Before you may begin serving, you will be required to take the Oath of Office in the City Clerk's Office located in Room 395 of City Hall. If you require parking for these meetings, please contact my Commissions team by email at myr-commissions@lacity.org.

Per the City Charter, most commissioners must be registered voters of the City of Los Angeles, and must therefore reside within Los Angeles. If you move at any point during your term, or your contact information changes, please contact my Commissions team immediately at the email address listed below. While we hope that you complete a successful term, if for some reason you intend to resign, please do so in writing to my Commissions team at myr-commissions@lacity.org.

Congratulations, and thank you for agreeing to serve the people of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen Bass". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Karen" and the last name "Bass" clearly legible.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment I
Mr. John A. Pérez
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Nominee Check List

I. Within 7 days:

- Email the below completed documents, found on the last three pages of this letter, to: myr-commissions@lacity.org OR mail them to:
Office of the Mayor
Attn: Thomas Arechiga
200 N. Spring Street, Room 303
Los Angeles, CA 90012
 - Remuneration Form
 - Undated Separation Letters (2)
- Schedule an appointment to get fingerprinted to complete a background check. The Commissions team will assist in connecting you with the Personnel Background Unit.

II. Before your appointment is heard in committee or full council (you will be contacted by the Clerk's Office with this date):

- File the following forms with the City Ethics Commission. If you are required to file, you will receive these forms via email from that office. Be sure to take no more than 21 days to file, per City law.
 - Statement of Economic Interest ("Form 700")
IMPORTANT: The City Council will not consider your nomination until your completed form is reviewed by the Ethics Commission.
 - CEC Form 60

III. The Mayor's Office will notify the below Councilmembers of your nomination, so that they may reach out to schedule a meeting with you should they wish.

- Your City Councilmember Kevin de Leon
- Councilmember Traci Park, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination

IV. Public Meetings at City Hall:

- Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee Hearing
- Full Council Hearing