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**Subject: Appointment of Mr. Earl McPhail to the Ventura County Planning Commission  
for a Term Ending January 4, 2021**

### **Recommendations**

It is my recommendation that Mr. McPhail be appointed to the Ventura County Planning Commission, effective 03/12/19 – 01/04/21.

### **Discussion**

On January 29, 2019 Maggie Kestly was appointed to the Planning Commission on an acting basis until a final appointment could be made to fill the vacancy created by Commissioner Steve Onstot's resignation. After a thorough search and subsequent review of qualified applicants, I have selected Mr. Earl McPhail as my nominee for the position.

Mr. McPhail currently serves as Chair of the Planning Commission for the City of Santa Paula and has been a resident there for forty years. Additionally, his decades of experience as Ventura County's Agricultural Commissioner provide an important perspective on land use issues critical to the Third District. I am confident Mr. McPhail will be an asset to the Planning Commission, making a significant contribution to its important work.

As an aside, Mr. McPhail has assured me that once appointed, he will resign from the Santa Paula Planning Commission so he can devote his full attention to the County and avoid any appearance of conflict of interest.

I greatly appreciate his willingness to represent the citizens of Ventura County and the Third District in this role.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly Long". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Kelly Long  
Supervisor, Third District