



## CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE BLACK CAUCUS

September 30, 2020

Honorable Eric Garcetti  
Mayor, City of Los Angeles  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mayor Garcetti,

On behalf of the California Legislative Black Caucus (CLBC), we would like to express our support for Gloria Gray to be reappointed as Chair of the Metropolitan Water District Board of Directors. This is an extraordinary time for our nation.

It is a unique place in which we find ourselves in history. The death of George Floyd has created a movement like nothing seen since the Civil Rights era of the 1950s and 1960s. As part of the commitment to Black Californians, the CLBC introduced a package of bills that sought to provide equity to our communities not only in the criminal justice system, but across the spectrum where bias and institutional racism exist. A few of which you have supported.

One of the CLBC objectives is to increase Black representation in all levels of government, including statewide appointments and elected offices. Chair Gray has been a strong presence and given a fresh outlook to the once male dominated Board. She is the first African-American to Chair the Metropolitan Water District board in its nearly 90-year existence, and we feel this is a good fit to continue the diversity.

Chair Gray is up for re-election, and we ask your support of her efforts to be re-elected as Chair of the Metropolitan Water District Board of Directors. If you have questions about our support, please contact me or the CLBC Senior Consultant, Jannell Jackson, at [jannell.jackson@asm.ca.gov](mailto:jannell.jackson@asm.ca.gov) or (916) 319-3868.

Sincerely,

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Assemblymember, 79th District of California

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