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## **Hodges announces candidacy for State Assembly**

Encinitas, CA - Sherry Hodges today announced her candidacy for California State Assembly in the North County district represented by Martin Garrick, who is currently serving his final term in the Assembly.

“As a member of the Assembly, I will be an advocate for taxpayers,” said Hodges. “I will stand up to public employee unions and fight for pension reform, for reductions in state spending, for regulatory reform to attract and retain businesses, and against new taxes and fees,” she said.

“I will also be an advocate for the cities in our district, which are once again being asked to help fill the budget gap created by overspending in Sacramento. That’s why I’m proud to have the support of so many local elected officials who share my concern about continuing raids by the state on local government,” said Hodges. Hodges’ candidacy has been endorsed by Carlsbad Mayor Matt Hall and Councilmember Ann Kulchin, San Marcos Mayor Jim Desmond and Councilmembers Rebecca Jones and Kristal Jabara, Vista Mayor Judy Ritter and Councilmembers John Aguilar and Steve Gronke, Encinitas Mayor Jim Bond and Councilmember Kristin Gaspar, Oceanside Councilmembers Jerry Kern, Gary Felien and Jack Feller, and Escondido Councilman Mike Morasco.

“Because of my experience at both the local and state levels, I’ll be able to have an impact for local residents from day one,” said Hodges. Hodges currently serves as Assemblywoman Diane Harkey’s Chief of Staff. She previously served as District Director for Assemblyman Martin Garrick, as a representative for then-Assemblyman Mark Wyland, and as District Director for Assemblywoman Mimi Walters.

Hodges’ candidacy has also been endorsed by Mimi Walters, Tony Strickland and Ray Haynes, along with Assemblymembers Diane Harkey and Jim Silva.

Hodges has also been a leader in school reform. From 1990-1994, she served as an elected member of the San Dieguito Union High School Board where she represented the district on the boards of the Encinitas Crime Prevention and site planning for La Costa Canyon High School. During her tenure, she rallied parents and community groups to fight against tax increases and to support higher academic standards. In 1995, State Assemblyman Howard Kaloogian honored her as his “Woman of the Year.”

Hodges resides in Encinitas with her husband of over 30 years, Scott Hodges, and is the mother of 4 grown children.

*See attachment for list of Hodges’ endorsements.*

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# *Sherry Hodges for California State Assembly*

## **Endorsement List**

State Senator Ray Haynes  
State Senator Tony Strickland  
State Senator Mimi Walters  
Assemblymember Diane Harkey  
Assemblymember Jim Silva  
San Diego County Treasurer Dan McAllister  
Carlsbad Mayor Matt Hall  
Carlsbad Mayor Pro Tem Ann Kulchin  
Encinitas Mayor James Bond  
Encinitas City Councilmember Kristin Gaspar  
Former Encinitas City Councilmember Lou Aspell  
Former Encinitas City Councilmember Dan Dalager  
Escondido City Councilmember Mike Morasco  
Oceanside City Councilmember Gary Felien  
Oceanside City Councilmember Jack Feller  
Oceanside City Councilmember Jerome "Jerry" Kern  
San Marcos Mayor Jim Desmond  
San Marcos City Councilmember Kristal Jabara  
San Marcos City Councilmember Rebecca Jones  
Former San Marcos City Councilmember Mike Preston  
Vista Mayor Judy Ritter  
Vista Mayor Pro Tem John Aquilera  
Vista City Councilmember Steve Gronke  
Former Vista City Councilmember Robert Campbell  
Former Vista City Councilmember Paul Campo  
Carlsbad Unified School District Board Member Lisa Rodman  
Former Del Mar Union School District Board Member Steven McDowell  
Escondido Union High School District Board Member Tina Pope  
Escondido Union School District Board Member Joan Gardner  
Former Escondido Union School District Board Member Kathy Marler  
Grossmont Union High School District Board Member Jim Kelly  
La Mesa-Spring Valley School District Board Member Bill Baber  
Oceanside Unified School District Board Member Emily Wichmann  
Palomar Pomerado Health Board Member Ted Kleiter  
Palomar Pomerado Health Board Member Bruce Krider  
San Diego Water Authority Board Member Frank Hilliker  
Linda Abrams  
Chuck Badger  
David Bennett  
Brian Brady  
Don Burgett  
Rich Byer

Terese Cisneros-Remington  
Mindy Fletcher  
Tom Garcia  
Betty Gault-Cordoba  
Darlene Hansen  
Penny Harrington  
Juanita Hayes  
Barbara Headley  
Mary Humphrey  
Dwight Johnson  
Brian Jones  
David Kulchin  
Bill Mc Corkle  
Mark & C'Ann McMillin  
Michael McSweeney  
Peter Mossy  
Edward Mracek  
Mark Olson  
Ernie Osuna  
Ted Owen  
Phil Paule  
Karen Prescott  
Joan Priest  
Vickie Prosser  
Lloyd Prosser  
Charles "Chuck" Rabel  
Dran Reese  
Joan Rischman  
Paul Robinson  
Michael Rosen  
Carol Sciotto  
George Selekman  
R. Alan Smith  
Tim Stripe  
Donna Thompson  
Ursula Wagstaff-Kuster  
Christopher Williams  
Ken Wood

*Partial List*