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MESA WATER DISTRICT BOARD ELECTS MARICE H. DEPASQUALE AS BOARD PRESIDENT

COSTA MESA, Calif.; December 11, 2020 — Mesa Water District ([Mesa Water®](#)) is pleased to announce that the Mesa Water Board of Directors ([Board](#)) officially named Marice H. DePasquale to serve as Board President and Shawn Dewane to serve as Vice President for 2020-2022, at its Board meeting on December 10.

Subsequently, the Board swore in Directors James R. Fisler from Division 2, Fred R. Bockmiller, P.E., from Division 1, as well as Marice H. DePasquale from Division 3, who were re-elected in the general election on November 3 to continue to serve a four-year term on the Board. Directors Bockmiller and DePasquale ran unopposed, while Director Fisler ran opposed and was re-elected by the voters, with over 57% of the vote.

“We are dedicated to producing and delivering high-quality, 100% local and reliable water to our community,” said Marice H. DePasquale, Mesa Water Board President. She continued, “Mesa Water is one of the most efficient water districts in Orange County and recently received a AAA credit rating -- the highest achievable by an organization -- from Standard & Poor’s (S&P) and Fitch rating agencies. As an industry leader in efficiency and fiscal responsibility, Mesa Water is committed to continue providing cost-effective water service now and in the future.”

[President DePasquale](#) represents Division 3, the North Costa Mesa community, which includes landmarks such as South Coast Plaza and Segerstrom Center for the Arts. President DePasquale was appointed to the Mesa Water Board in 2017 and was elected in 2018. She also serves as a board member on UCI’s Water Board, has served on the Board of Seneca Family of Agencies, the state’s largest foster-adopt nonprofit, and is a lifelong Girl Scout currently serving as a Junior Troop Leader.

[Vice President Dewane](#) represents Division 5, which includes Eastside Costa Mesa and parts of Newport Beach. He is actively involved with many water industry, government, finance, and community organizations, including serving on the Board of the Orange County Employees Retirement System. He also served on the Orange County Water District (OCWD) Board for eight years, as both a Director and Board President.

As a top-performing public water agency, Mesa Water invests in perpetual infrastructure improvements that continue the Board’s legacy of ensuring a sustainable water supply.

About Mesa Water

Founded on January 1, 1960, and governed by a publicly-elected, five-member [Board of Directors](#), [Mesa Water District](#) is an independent special district that provides water service to 110,000 residents in an 18-square-mile service area that includes most of the City of Costa Mesa, parts of Newport Beach, and unincorporated Orange County including John Wayne Airport. Mesa Water provides 100 percent local reliable groundwater to its customers due to the expansion of its [Mesa Water Reliability Facility](#). Visit [MesaWater.org](#), follow @MesaWater on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), or [Twitter](#), email info@MesaWater.org, or call us at 949.631.1200 to learn more.