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Council District 2

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## Memorandum

**To:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**From:** Vice Mayor Suja Lowenthal, Second District  
Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez, First District  
Councilwoman Suzie Price, Third District  
Councilwoman Stacy Mungo, Fifth District

**Subject:** Recognizing Long Beach Women in Transportation

March 22, 2016

### REQUESTED ACTION:

In honor of National Women's History Month, I respectfully request the Mayor and City Council join with me in recognizing the role women play in transportation in the City of Long Beach. These inspirational women include, but are not limited to, three of our harbor commissioners ~ President, Lori Ann Guzman, Vice President, Lou Anne Bynum, and Secretary, Tracy Egoscue ~ the Long Beach Transit Board ~ Chair, Maricela de Rivera, Vice Chair, Sumire Gant, Secretary/Treasurer, Mary Zendejas, April Economides, Colleen Bentley, Nancy Pfeffer, Barbara Sullivan George, and Amy Bodek ~ Claudia Lewis, Manager, Finance & Administration, Long Beach Airport ~ Carolyn Carlton-Lowe, Operations & Facilities Bureau Manager, Long Beach Airport ~ Michelle Grubbs, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association, Long Beach ~ Elizabeth Warren, Executive Director, FuturePorts ~ Diane DuBois, regional MTA Representative ~ Karen Heit, MTA Board Deputy ~ Carrie Bowen, CalTrans District 7 Director.

### BACKGROUND:

Women all over the world hold key positions in the transportation industry, whether they are building automobiles and spaceships, or designing them. There is still some ground to be made up related to the gender gap, but thanks to the early innovators, pioneers, adventurers, engineers, scientists, and inventors, women have a strong foothold in the future of transportation.

The City of Long Beach would not be the transportation hub it currently is without the significant contributions of strong women past and present. Without a doubt, the women being honored tonight play an integral role in the development and advancement of transportation and are committed to excellence in the transportation industry.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.