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NOTICE IS HEREBY PROVIDED TO ALL GENERAL AND SAFETY MEMBERS OF THE VENTURA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION THAT ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD FOR A <u>GENERAL MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE</u>, A <u>SAFETY MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE</u> AND AN <u>ALTERNATE SAFETY MEMBER</u> TO SERVE THREE-YEAR TERMS ON THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2015.

INTRODUCTION:

The management of the retirement system is vested in the Board of Retirement. By law, the Board consists of the County Treasurer, four appointees of the Board of Supervisors, two members elected by the general member employees, one member elected by the safety member employees, one retiree member elected by the retiree members, one alternate elected by the safety members and one alternate elected by the retiree members.

NOMINATION DOCUMENTS:

General and safety members who are interested in being candidates for these positions may obtain nomination documents from the County Elections Division. Nomination documents will be available beginning at 8:00 a.m. on August 29, 2014, and must be returned to the Elections Division by 5:00 p.m. on September 15, 2014. Documents received after the deadline will not be accepted. Documents may be obtained in person, requested by mail or by telephone at (805) 654-2664.

To qualify as a candidate, the nomination petition must be signed by not less than 20 nor more than 30 members from the respective membership group. Any general or safety member may be a candidate for these offices. At the time the nomination petition is filed, a statement of qualifications consisting of not more than 200 words may be filed by the candidate. Statements of qualification will be distributed along with all other ballot materials.

BALLOT DISTRIBUTION BY MAIL:

The official ballot for the respective elections, voting instructions, and candidate qualification statements will be sent by U.S. mail to each VCERA member on October 31, 2014. Ballots will be mailed to VCERA members at their address of record with the Retirement Association.

VCERA members will be given until 5:00 p.m. on December 1, 2014, to vote and return their ballots to the Elections Division (Brown Mail #1200).

Voted ballots should be returned to the Elections Division in person or through the U.S. mail to:

COUNTY OF VENTURA ELECTIONS DIVISION 800 S. VICTORIA AVE. VENTURA, CA 93009-1200

Please do not return voted ballots to the Retirement Association. Any ballot received after 5:00 p.m. on December 1, 2014, will not be counted. If you misplace your ballot, you may obtain another one from the Elections Division.

OFFICIAL CANVASS:

On December 4, 2014, beginning at 9:00 a.m., voted ballots will be counted in the Elections Division. The results of this election will be certified to the Board of Supervisors on December 16, 2014.