



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**December 7, 2020**

### **Matt LaVere Appointed Supervisor for the 1<sup>st</sup> District of the Ventura County Board of Supervisors**

Ventura, CA – Today, Governor Newsom appointed Matt LaVere as the Supervisor for the 1st District of the Ventura County Board of Supervisors. LaVere was elected in March for the term to begin in January 2021. The 1st District Supervisor Steve Bennett was elected for State Assembly and sworn in as Assemblymember for the 37<sup>th</sup> Assembly District today. LaVere was appointed to begin service a month early with the departure of Steve Bennett to the Assembly.

“I am sincerely appreciative of this rare early appointment by the Governor, as during these unprecedented times it is important for the residents of the 1st District to have representation as our County deals with many important issues,” Added LaVere. “Across the State and nation, Ventura County has an outstanding reputation and long tradition of good government and being an outstanding place to live. I could not be more excited to join the Board of Supervisors and I look forward to working with my fellow Board members, the entire County leadership team, local city representatives, our residents and our local business community to ensure these traditions continue”.

LaVere has been Mayor of the City of Ventura since 2018. LaVere is a member of the Ventura College Foundation and the Ventura City Council Homeless and Affordable Housing Subcommittee. He earned a Juris Doctor degree from the Pepperdine University School of Law. LaVere lives in Ventura with his wife Alicia and daughters Lucia and Lorenza.

“I am pleased that the Governor appointed Supervisor LaVere today to help respond during this most critical time. The Board of Supervisors and I look forward to working with him as we serve the community in addressing the challenges before us and as we pursue the opportunities ahead,” said County Executive Officer Mike Powers.

Supervisor LaVere will participate in his first Board of Supervisors meeting on December 8, 2020.