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MERCEDES MÁRQUEZ

Appointed by Supervisor Hilda L. Solis, First District

Mercedes Márquez is the founder and president of Marquez Community Strategy, a consultancy where she advises cities, states, and non-profit organizations on how to revitalize neighborhoods, promote economic growth, support low-income residents, and build sustainable entities.

Márquez has more than 30 years of leadership and public service experience in housing and economic development, community advocacy, city management, and executive coaching. She has served as a Deputy Mayor in Los Angeles, an Assistant Secretary at the United States Housing and Urban Development, a civil rights advocate, and in real estate development.

She is currently consulting on several projects, including: facilitating the development of a city-wide progressive housing policy; designing an implementation strategy for a Promise Zone; and designing a citywide economic development strategy that embraces equity principles. Her clients include the Cities of Los Angeles, Long Beach, CA, Pittsburgh, and Houston, and agencies such as, Mission Economic Development Agency in San Francisco, the National Association of Latino Community Asset Builders and Enterprise Community Partners among others.

Márquez supports local leaders to assess conditions, leverage funding and relationships, and design pragmatic place-based strategies for measurable success.