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Before serving on the first *all* women-led Board of Supervisors in the history of LA County, Mitchell served for a decade in the California Legislature as a representative for the 54<sup>th</sup> Assembly District and 30<sup>th</sup> Senate District, both in Los Angeles County. During her tenure she passed over 90 bills – including the landmark anti-hair discrimination law The CROWN Act, making California the first in the nation to pass this law ending hair discrimination.

Supervisor Mitchell became the first African American to serve as Chair of the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee. Under her guidance, she helped the State of California successfully build its financial reserves with the passage of three consecutive state budgets--each totaling over \$200 billion.

Early in her career, Supervisor Mitchell had transformative leadership opportunities serving as a CORO Foundation Fellow, a legislative advocate for Californians experiencing poverty at the Western Center on Law and Poverty, and working for pioneering legislative leaders like the Honorable Diane Watson.

Before running for public office, Supervisor Mitchell led Crystal Stairs for seven years, California's largest nonprofit dedicated to child and family development. As CEO, she fought for low-income families across Los Angeles County to gain access to childcare and poverty prevention resources.

As a member of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Mitchell also serves on the boards of Los Angeles County Children and Families First (First 5 LA), Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission, L.A. Care Health Plan, and Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts.

Supervisor Mitchell was awarded an honorary Doctorate Degree of Humane Letters from Charles Drew University and is a proud UC Riverside Highlander.

When she isn't working alongside the over 100,000 people--committed to serving the residents of Los Angeles County, she loves a good cup of tea, watching ocean waves and being mom to Ryan.