



# HOLLY J. MITCHELL

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISOR ♦ 2ND DISTRICT

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Mitchell spent over a decade of service in the California Legislature – serving in both the State Assembly and Senate and authoring over 100 state laws from the Crown Act to landmark juvenile justice reforms.

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 and passed three consecutive state budgets—each totaling over \$200 billion.

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

Before running for public office, Supervisor Mitchell led the nonprofit 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 Los Angeles County Supervisor, Mitchell also serves as the inaugural chair of the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency and is a member of the Board of Directors for the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Los Angeles County Children and Families First (First 5 LA), Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts and South Coast Air Quality Management District.

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