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GLORIA DIZMANG RESIGNS FROM PWD BOARD DUE TO HEALTH ISSUES

Palmdale, CA – Gloria Dizmang, a Palmdale Water District (PWD) Board of Director for more than two terms, has vacated her Division 3 seat after experiencing ongoing health problems. Her resignation was effective Dec. 31, 2023.

Dizmang had hoped to finish her term, which expires in December 2024, but physical challenges made it not possible.

“I was elected to represent the people of Division 3 and make informed decisions on their behalf, but I cannot do that when I am physically unable to travel or attend meetings,” Dizmang said. “I loved being on the Board. I was proud to serve. I will miss it very much.”

The PWD Board has 60 days from her resignation date to address the vacancy.

“The remaining Board members and I are saddened by Gloria’s

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departure,” said Board President Don Wilson. “She was a very important part of the team. She brought great ideas, a wonderful sense of humor and unwavering support for the Board and staff. We will truly miss her.”

Dizmang, a longtime AV educator, served on the PWD Board for one term from 2011-2015. She lost her seat but was reappointed in April 2019 to fill that position when it became vacant. With no opposition in the November 2020 elections, she retained her seat.

During her first term, she was instrumental in starting PWD’s Rate Assistance Program, which offers a discount on the monthly service fee to eligible seniors 62 and older, veterans of any age and low-income families using non-water rate revenues. The program has been going strong since 2015. Today, more than 700 ratepayers receive assistance.

In 2013, Dizmang was the inspiration behind PWD’s “Before the First Drop” campaign to educate customers about the cost to the District before they get one drop of water. More recently, she has been a strong supporter of partnerships with other water agencies, including Oxnard-based United Water Conservation District. She actively represented PWD at the Palmdale Fin and Feather Club, Special Districts Association of North Los Angeles County, and the Association of California Water Districts JPIA.

Dizmang has lived in the Antelope Valley since 1965. She was an educator and administrator for the Antelope Valley Union High School District for 36 years and a 30-year adjunct professor for A.V. College. She retired from teaching in 2020. Her other civic involvement includes serving as a rent negotiator for the city of Palmdale and as president of the

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