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FRED PILTZ HAS BEEN APPOINTED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CITIZENS' ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION

Mr. Fred Piltz has been appointed by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to the Citizens' Economy and Efficiency Commission.

Commissioner Piltz retired from the United States Department of the Interior in 2010 where he served as the department's manager for Pacific Coast ocean environmental research for more than 30 years. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Southern California (1970) in marine biology and has served on a variety of committees and boards including the California Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Committee (1998 – 2010), representative for the Department to the People's Republic of China for offshore oil and gas training, consultant to the government of Thailand for oil and gas platform decommissioning, Departmental liaison to several National Academy of Sciences panels, and the Department of the Interior representative to the West Coast Governors Agreement on Ocean Health. He is a recipient of the Department of the Interior's Distinguished Service Award and served his religious community as a synagogue president and board member of United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism. He is married to Kathryn Hadlock-Piltz and they have three adult daughters. He lives in Westchester where his most recent passion is serving as a foster home for rescued Labrador Retrievers.

Commissioner Piltz, in commenting upon his appointment, stated, "For me, personally serving on the Economy and Efficiency Commission provides an opportunity to continue to use the investigative and analytical skills developed in my technical background and most recently utilized with the Los Angeles County Civil Grand Jury. My experience with contracting and government agencies has direct applicability to many of the problems and challenges found in government today. I look forward to using my expertise on environmental issues to address the various challenges facing Los Angeles County."

Created in 1964, the Commission is charged with reviewing all aspects of local government management, operations and policies and submits recommendations to the Board of Supervisors with the objective of improving the economy, efficiency and effectiveness of local government. Each of the five members of the Board of Supervisors appoints four commissioners to the Economy and Efficiency Commission for a two-year term, with the 21st member being the previous years' Grand Jury chairperson. The commissioners may be reappointed. The members of this Commission provide their time to the County on a voluntary basis and serve without pay.