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## JOHN J. KENNEDY APPOINTED TO THE BURBANK-GLENDALE-PASADENA AIRPORT AUTHORITY BY THE CITY OF PASADENA

BURBANK, Calif., August 12, 2020 — On August 3, 2020, the City of Pasadena appointed Councilmember John J. Kennedy to the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority. Kennedy, who was officially sworn in on August 10, joins Councilmember Steve Madison and Ross Selvidge, Ph.D., as one of the Authority's three Pasadena representatives, a position previously held by Mayor Terry Tornek, who stepped down on July 20, 2020.

For the past 30 plus years, Kennedy has served as the principal executive of JJKennedy & Associates, a consulting firm specializing in issues management, grantwriting, executive coaching, contract and business diversity, business resiliency, real estate investing, and problem-solving for individuals and companies alike.

Simultaneously on his journey, he has been employed by a family company with responsibilities in philanthropy, real estate, and business development. He was Senior Vice President of the Los Angeles Urban League, Director of Special Projects for Southern California Edison, Inc., Vice President of Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., and Deputy Chief of Police in Richmond, Virginia.

Kennedy dedicated his life to community service at a young age, having served as the president of the Pasadena Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored by age 25. He has committed much of his spare time to community organizing and working to elect and support Democratic Candidates.

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Kennedy has served on numerous boards, commissions, and bodies, including the Tom Bradley Legacy Foundation at UCLA; Black Alumni Association Council at the University of Southern California (USC); the National Finance Committee for the President of the United States, and the National Finance Committee for Joseph R. Biden.

A Pasadena native, Kennedy was Student Body President at Blair High School and a Student Senator while at USC. He holds dual degrees from USC in International Relations and Social Science Communications (Economics) and several professional certificates as well as his Juris Doctor Degree from Howard University School of Law.

On March 5, 2013, Councilmember Kennedy was sworn into office representing the City of Pasadena's Council District 3 and reelected in 2017. Additionally, he served a two-year term as Vice Mayor of the City of Pasadena.



John J. Kennedy

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Hollywood Burbank Airport (BUR) is owned and operated by the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority, a joint powers agency created in 1977 between the Cities of Burbank, Glendale, and Pasadena. In 2019, the airport served over 5.9 million passengers and reached 17 nonstop destinations in the United States. More information can be found on the airport's website, <u>www.HollywoodBurbankAirport.com</u>, and on the airport's <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u> feeds.