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First 5 California Commission Welcomes Lupe Jaime *Governor Brown Appoints Central Valley Educator to Commission*

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Governor Brown has appointed Fresno County’s Lupe Jaime to the California Children and Families Commission, also known as First 5 California. The Commission supports and promotes early learning, health, and quality child care for California’s youngest children 0 to 5.

Ms. Jaime is the Director of the Early Care and Education (ECE) Department at the Fresno County Office of Education where she serves as the liaison between the California Department of Education, and the ECE and child care programs in Fresno County. She is an expert in infant and toddler care having spent 10 years working for Central Valley Children’s Services Network.

“The Commission welcomes the appointment of Ms. Jaime. Her background in early childhood education and development brings another highly qualified member to our diverse and hard-working Commission,” said First 5 California Executive Director, Camille Maben.

Ms. Jaime states, “The value of quality child care and education is key for early childhood success, which stimulates the growth of California’s children and families. I will work diligently with my fellow Commissioners to promote and ensure access to high-quality early childhood education and development programs that continue the great work of the First 5 California Commission.”

Ms. Jaime earned a Master of Education degree in cross-cultural teaching from National University and was an adjunct child development instructor at Reedley Community College for several years. She also is a member of the National Association for the Education of Young Children, the California Child Development Administrators Association, and the Fresno Child Care and Development Local Planning Council.

Ms. Jaime fills the vacancy that was previously occupied by San Jose City Councilwoman, Magdalena Carrasco.

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About First 5 California

First 5 California, also known as the California Children and Families Commission, was established after voters passed Proposition 10 in November 1998, which added a tax on tobacco products to fund education, health, childcare, and other services for children ages 0 to 5 and their families. Its programs and resources are designed to educate teachers, parents, grandparents, and caregivers about the critical role they play during a child's first five years – with the overarching goal of helping more California kids grow up healthy and ready to succeed in school and in life. For more information, please visit www.cafc.ca.gov.