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**LB Branch NAACP 3<sup>RD</sup> Vice President Karen Hilburn Appointed as Vice-Chair of  
Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee for Measure K for LBUSD**

The Long Beach Unified School District Governing Board selected Karen Hilburn, Long Beach Branch NAACP 3<sup>RD</sup> Vice President and Education Co-Chair, as the Vice-Chair of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee for Measure K. Karen Hilburn, a retired Administrator worked for the LBUSD for 39 years, 17 years as a classroom teacher, 22 years as an Assistant Principal/Principal at Reid, Wilson, and Poly, and completed her career as Director of Student Placement Services. Ms. Hilburn's term of service is for two-years and the committee meets six times a year. Hilburn will serve on the Citizen's Oversight Committee ("COC") made up of seven community leaders (Kristine Hammond, Julia Jackson, Michael Noll, Karen Hilburn, Chairperson Victor McCarty, Peggy Krynicky, and Byron Bolton) that will assist with the implementation of the Measure K School Facilities Bond program.

The Committee's responsibilities include informing the public concerning the District's expenditure of Measure K bond proceeds, reviewing expenditure reports produced by the District to ensure that Measure K bond, proceeds were expended only for the purposes set forth in Measure K, present to the Governing Board, in public session, an annual written report outlining their activities and conclusions regarding the expenditure of Measure K bond proceeds.

On November 4, 2008, voters residing within the Long Beach Unified School District passed Proposition 39: Measure K. Measure K is a \$1.2 billion bond measure that was approved on the November 4, 2008 ballot which authorizes funding for needed repairs, upgrades, and new construction projects to the schools within the Long Beach Unified School District. Proposition 39 requires a 55% supermajority for approval; this bond was passed by 72%.

For additional information you may contact LBUSD or visit their webpage at:  
[http://www.lbschools.net/District/School\\_Building\\_Plan/measure\\_k\\_info.cfm](http://www.lbschools.net/District/School_Building_Plan/measure_k_info.cfm)