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**DEBRA DORST-PORADA APPOINTED ONTARIO'S MAYOR PRO TEM**

This past year, Ontario's Mayor and City Council unanimously appointed Debra Dorst-Porada to serve as Mayor pro Tem in 2020.

Dorst-Porada was elected to the Ontario City Council in December of 2008. She has been an Ontario resident for 38 years. She believes in a strong economic development approach and is devoted to keeping and creating jobs in Ontario. She is committed to providing residents with the best police and fire/paramedic services the region has to offer.

As a registered nurse for over 39 years, she promotes disaster/earthquake preparedness and encourages residents to participate in programs such as the Citizens Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.). The Revitalization of Downtown Ontario continues to be one of her top priorities. She endorses the bi-monthly "Art Walk," the Chaffey Community Museum of Art, the Ontario Museum of History and Art and the Ontario Police Museum. She is also a champion of the Sunday morning walking group.

"I am looking forward to working with my colleagues as we continue our work on making Ontario a premier city," Dorst-Porada said. "2020 will be another great year with a number of projects being brought forth and many more coming to fruition – all for the benefit of our residents."

Dorst-Porada serves as a Board Member on several authorities and organizations. Just this past month, she was elected to a two-year term as President of the League of California Cities, Inland Empire Division. As President, she will be responsible for coordinating the Division's lobbying, educational, and fundraising efforts. The Inland Empire Division is made up of 15 cities in San Bernardino County and provides members



with the opportunity to exchange ideas, information and share the advantages of cooperative advocacy.

“I am very confident that Mayor pro Tem Dorst-Porada will serve us well in 2020 as we work together to bring continued improvements to not only the city but into everyone’s daily lives,” said Mayor Paul Leon. “Her passion to work on behalf of the people generates nothing less than success.”

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**About the City of Ontario**

The City of Ontario *Elevates* the quality-of-life by creating urban lifestyle districts that create sustainable places to live, work and play. Located just 35 miles east of downtown Los Angeles, the City of Ontario is ideally situated as a gateway to Southern California. With major freeways, rail transportation and International Airport, Ontario offers the rest of the world to be a part of a culturally diverse community with rich history that is well positioned for quality development and economic sustainability for its 177,000 residents. Complementing its business and residential core, Ontario offers premium entertainment venues such as the Ontario Convention Center, Toyota Arena, and the Ontario Mills Mall. To learn more about the City of Ontario, visit [www.ontarioca.gov](http://www.ontarioca.gov) or call (909) 395-2000.

