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**COASTAL COMMISSION SELECTS TWO FEMALE ATTORNEYS
TO LEAD THE COASTAL PROTECTION AGENCY IN 2017**

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VENTURA, Calif. The California Coastal Commission unanimously selected Dayna Bochco and Effie Turnbull-Sanders as the panel’s newest chair and vice chair during its annual election of officers.

Bochco acknowledged the agency’s difficult year and said she is committed to moving the commission forward in a positive way. She noted the commission’s recent accomplishments including the Sea Level Rise Guidance and its continuing work with local agencies on Local Coastal Programs.

“My personal goal as chair is to move this agency forward in a way that creates the space to trust, understand and talk to each other so that we can fully accomplish our shared mission of protecting the coast,” said Chair Bochco.

Bochco, was appointed to the commission by the Senate Rules Committee in 2011, and has a long history of serving on environmental groups including Heal the Bay and the Natural Resources Defense Council’s Southern California Leadership Council. Bochco’s background is as an entertainment attorney, a veteran television producer and as president of Steven Bochco Productions. She was born and raised in San Diego and graduated from the University of California, Berkeley and has a law degree from Loyola Law School.

Turnbull-Sanders, who is an assistant general counsel with the Los Angeles Unified School District, has a land use and transactional real estate background. She was appointed to the commission in 2014 by Governor Jerry Brown, following a long history of work in public service and social justice issues. Turnbull-Sanders served as special assistant to Justice Cruz Reynoso with the United States Commission on Civil Rights. She received her undergraduate and law degree from the University of California, Los Angeles.

Turnbull-Sanders said she was inspired by the passion for coastal protection shared by the public, the staff and her fellow commissioners.

“I’m honored and grateful to my fellow commissioners for this opportunity,” said Vice Chair Turnbull-Sanders, “I look forward to leading this commission in an effort of collective action and to increasing environmental protection and coastal access for all.”