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**State of California Selects the South Bay Workforce Investment Board
As One of the Highest Performing Workforce Investment Boards Statewide**

HAWTHORNE – The South Bay Workforce Board (SBWIB) has once again been recognized by the California Workforce Development Board as one of the highest performing workforce investment boards in the state. The State Board made the announcement in late December in Sacramento and also indicated the SBWIB will receive a \$54,383 incentive award provided by Governor Jerry Brown along with the prestigious certification.

“It is indeed gratifying to receive this high honor from the State Board and it reflects the professionalism and dedication of not only our staff, but also the volunteer board members who establish the policies we operate under while monitoring our progress year round,” said Jan Vogel, SBWIB Executive Director.

Upon learning of the State Board recognition, Inglewood Mayor James T. Butts, Jr., who serves as the Chief Local Elected Official of the South Bay Workforce Investment Area, extended his congratulations and noted, “Our SBWIB has consistently exceeded the goals and performance standards of the State Board in the areas of employment placement and retention. I am very proud of the SBWIB staff and Mr. Vogel.”

The SBWIB service area includes the cities of Inglewood, Hawthorne, El Segundo, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Hermosa Beach, Lomita, Gardena, Manhattan Beach, Lawndale and Carson.

SBWIB Chairman of the Board Wayne Spencer indicated that this most recent award exemplifies the dedication of every person who serves the SBWIB. “When you can meet the needs of thousands of individuals and businesses large and small each year in gaining work, and helping to prepare our future workforce, you can’t help but be the best at what you do,” he said.

The SBWIB operates four One Stop Business & Careers Centers within the South Bay service area plus two Teen Centers in Inglewood and Hawthorne. For further information telephone 310-970-7700 or go to SBWIB.org.

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