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COUNCILWOMAN, 6TH DISTRICT

September 27, 2021

Holly L. Wolcott  
Office of the City Clerk  
200 N. Spring Street, 3rd Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**RE: City of Los Angeles Redistricting Commission**

Dear Ms. Wolcott,

I am pleased to appoint Ms. Rachel Torres to the Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commission.

Should you need additional information, please contact my Chief of Staff, Ackley Padilla, at (213) 473-7006 or [ackley.padilla@lacity.org](mailto:ackley.padilla@lacity.org).

Sincerely,



Nury Martinez  
President, Los Angeles City Council  
Councilwoman, 6th District



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# Rachel Torres



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## Experience

### **Deputy Political and Civil Rights Director with UFCW Local 770**      **March 2018 - Present**

- Lead local and statewide policy campaigns for essential workers in grocery, drug retail, meatpacking, and cannabis including health and safety protocols for Covid 19, hazard pay, and a fair workweek
- Lead political campaigns for local and statewide elections

### **Senior Research Analyst/Legislative Advocate with UNITE HERE Local 11** **July 2013 – February 2018**

- Successfully led many citywide policies for hotel and food service workers including a \$15 minimum wage
- Led team of research analysts to successfully organize, lobby, and negotiate over 25 community benefit agreements with community, worker, and environmental protections on new service workers developments throughout Los Angeles County

### **Research Analyst with UNITE HERE Local 11** **November 2008 – June 2013**

- Engaged with California Coastal Commission around Coastal Act/coastal protection issues related to hotel developments in Los Angeles County
- Build new labor and environmental coalitions in Long Beach and Santa Monica for policy development
- Draft policy memos for decision makers, conduct research, and negotiate agreements for all hotel development in Los Angeles County

## Education

**Master's Degree, International Institute for the Sociology of Law** **September 2006 – September 2007**  
Sociology of Law

**Master's Degree, California State University Los Angeles**      **September 2021- Present**

## Philosophy

**Bachelor's Degree, University of California at Santa Barbara**      **January 2004 – September 2005**  
Double Degree: Law and Society; Philosophy with Emphasis in Ethics and Public Policy

## Civic Organizations

American Civil Liberties Union, Surfrider Foundation, California Environmental Voters

## Skills

Strategic planning, social media and communications, coalition building, advocacy, development and fundraising, team building, training, management, and recruitment