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Mental Health

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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION FOR THE INTRODUCTORY SPEAKERS AT THE AUGUST 24, 2005 COALINGA STATE HOSPITAL DEDICATION CEREMONY

Steven W. Mayberg, Ph.D., Director, Department of Mental Health

Dr. Stephen W. Mayberg was appointed Director of the California Department of Mental Health in February 1993. As director, Dr. Mayberg is responsible for system leadership for state and local county mental health departments; system oversight, evaluation and monitoring; administration of federal funds; and the operation of the state hospitals (Atascadero, Metropolitan, Napa, Patton, and Coalinga) and Acute Psychiatric Programs at the California Medical Facilities in Vacaville and Salinas Valley.

Dean Florez, State Senator

Senator Florez grew up in the heart of the Central Valley and is serving his first term in the California State Senate, after two successful terms in the State Assembly. He began his political career working in the Legislature as a fiscal consultant to the Senate Budget Committee. He has a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of California at Los Angeles and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Jim Costa, 20th Congressional District

Congressman Costa is a third generation farmer whose family settled in the Central Valley more than 90 years ago. He has been a member of the State Legislature for 24 years and is currently a member of the House of Representatives, Resources Committee, House Agriculture Committee and House Committee on Science. He earned a degree in Political Science from California State University, Fresno.

Ron Lander, Mayor Coalinga City Council

Mayor Lander was born and raised in Coalinga and has been in the barber profession for 38 years. He has enjoyed being Mayor and representing Coalinga for six years. Prior to being Mayor, he has served on many different boards involving government and community organizations, including being a Fresno County Council of Governments Member, Fresno County Rural Transit Representative, Coalinga Planning Commissioner, Coalinga City Council Member, Coalinga Eagles President, and Coalinga Rotary President. He currently is a member and serves on the Citizens Advisory Board, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, Measure "C" Extension Committee, and the Council of Governments.