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Río Hondo College Selects Dr. Marilyn Flores as New Superintendent/President

WHITTIER – Río Hondo College and the Board of Trustees has appointed Dr. Marilyn Flores as its new Superintendent/President to continue leading the College on the path of prosperity, achievement and success.

The Board unanimously appointed Flores on March 24. Flores will begin her tenure once contract negotiations are finalized and will succeed Superintendent/President Teresa Dreyfuss, who will retire on June 30, 2022.

"Congratulations to Dr. Flores for being selected as my successor, I know she will do an honorable job by uplifting our students, staff, administration and community with her leadership," Dreyfuss said. "It has been an honor serving the community as Superintendent/President and I know that the College is being left in capable hands. Dr. Flores: I salute you and know that you will succeed because Río Hondo College is where student success starts."

Flores is currently the vice president of academic affairs at Santiago Canyon College in Orange County and previously served as interim president for Santa Ana College.

"We are proud to announce Dr. Marylin Flores as our next Superintendent/President," Board of Trustees President Vicky Santana said. "Río Hondo College has a legacy of achievement and we know Dr. Flores will continue this proud tradition as our new leader. The Board is confident that she will continue our College's efforts of diversity, equity and inclusion, which are fundamental to advancing educational justice and opportunity."

Flores holds a master's degree in education from the University of California, Los Angeles as well as a Bachelor of Arts in liberal studies and doctorate of philosophy in institutional leadership and policy studies from the University of California, Riverside.

"I am thrilled and excited to serve as the next Superintendent/President of Río Hondo College," Flores said. "I firmly know that through the support of the Board of Trustees, the staff and administration, Río Hondo College will continue to thrive, excel and serve its community with excellence. I believe the work that I have done over the course of my career in community colleges has led me here to this College and this community. I could not be more excited to join you and serve our students."

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Río Hondo College is an educational and community partner committed to advancing social justice and equity as an antiracist institution that collectively invests in all students' academic and career pathways that lead to attainment of degree, certificate, transfer, and lifelong-learning goals. For information on the College or its programs, please call 562-692-0921 or visit **www.riohondo.edu**.

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NEWSUP_PRES: Dr. Marilyn Flores, who is currently the vice president of academic affairs at Santiago Canyon College, has been selected as Río Hondo College's new Superintendent/President. Flores will start her new position when current Superintendent/President Teresa Dreyfuss retires on June 30, 2022.

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