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### Monterey County Supervisor Chris Lopez to Help Lead RCRC in 2022

**SACRAMENTO, CA –** In early December, Monterey County Supervisor Chris Lopez was selected by his peers to serve as Second Vice Chair of the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC). On January 12, Supervisor Lopez took the Oath of Office as administered by California State Senator Brian Dahle as part of the virtual RCRC Board of Directors meeting establishing the 2022 Officers.

Supervisor Lopez joins Nevada County Supervisor Dan Miller (who will serve as Chair), Butte County Supervisor Doug Teeter (who will serve as First Vice Chair), and Mono County Supervisor Stacy Corless (who remains an Officer in the role of Immediate Past Chair). These newly installed 2022 Officers will lead the organization in championing public policies on behalf of California's rural counties.

"I am honored and thankful to my rural county colleagues from across the state for selecting me to serve in leadership at RCRC," said Supervisor Lopez. "Rural counties face unique challenges and differing levels of resources. RCRC serves a pivotal role in advancing the understanding of those issues and establishing a collective impact at the state and federal level for the benefit of our communities."

RCRC's Board of Directors is headed by four officers composed of elected County Supervisors from the organization's 38 member counties. Monterey County has been a member of RCRC since 2019. Once being elected 2nd Vice Chair, it has been the custom and practice of that person to move up the ranks and ultimately lead the organization.

"This past year has seen some positive advances for rural communities, particularly in the significant funding designated for broadband access," added Supervisor Lopez. "I look forward to working with RCRC on the continued advancement of broadband deployment, wildfire

prevention, and other key issues for rural Californians.”

**ABOUT RURAL COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES OF CALIFORNIA (RCRC)**

*The Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) is a thirty-eight member county strong service organization that champions policies on behalf of California’s rural counties. RCRC is dedicated to representing the collective unique interests of its membership, providing legislative and regulatory representation at the State and Federal levels, and providing responsible services for its members to enhance and protect the quality of life in rural California counties. To learn more about RCRC, visit [rcrcnet.org](http://rcrcnet.org) and follow @RuralCounties on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.*

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