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### **San Bernardino County Assessor Bill Postmus Appoints Assistant Assessor**

*Thirty-five year Professional County Appraiser Harlow Cameron To Serve As Top Aide*

SAN BERNARDINO – San Bernardino County Assessor Bill Postmus today announced the appointment of Harlow Cameron, 56, as Assistant Assessor for San Bernardino County. Cameron, who has worked in the San Bernardino County Office of Assessor for 35 years and most recently served 6 years as Chief Appraiser in the Property Valuation Department, will begin his new position effective November 10, 2007.

“It is my distinct honor and privilege to appoint a professional of Harlow Cameron’s stature to this important position,” stated Assessor Postmus. “For over thirty years, Harlow Cameron has dedicated himself and his career to serving the citizens of our county in the Office of Assessor. He has developed a wealth of experience, and has earned tremendous respect from members of this office and the public. This should leave no doubt that the people of San Bernardino County will be served well by Harlow Cameron, who is clearly well-suited to begin his new responsibilities.”

“San Bernardino County is fortunate to have Harlow Cameron as a public servant,” Postmus added. “In light of Harlow’s expertise in this office and his long background in numerous aspects of property valuation, I know Harlow has the necessary skills required to fulfill his new role as Assistant Assessor. I am pleased Harlow Cameron has agreed to be appointed to this important position.”

Below is Harlow Cameron’s biography:

Harlow Cameron was born and raised in Upland. He is a graduate of Upland High School in 1968 and the University of Redlands 1972.

Harlow Cameron began his career with the San Bernardino County Assessor’s Office as a real property Appraiser in 1973. He was promoted to Supervising District Appraiser in 1977 and served in that capacity in four different field offices for twenty years. Many sweeping changes that drastically changed the business functions of property tax valuation and administration occurred in those years. The most significant of these was the Proposition 13 initiative and subsequent legislation.

Cameron helped in the planning, transition, and practical implementation of the succession of property tax law changes. In 1997, Harlow was selected to serve as the Chief of Assessment Services to oversee the

valuation support functions of the department. As the manager of the Assessment Services Division he was the Assessor team leader on the Property Information Management System database rewrite project and the department Y2K coordinator.

Harlow was appointed to his current position of Chief Appraiser in 2001. In this role he is responsible for the administration of the Valuation Division which appraises all locally taxable real and personal property in the County. He directs staff in nine Real Property field offices, the Business Personal Property section, the Special Properties unit, and Assessment Appeals in the valuation of over 800,000 parcels totaling \$176 billion on the assessment roll and the performance of valuation related public service. Harlow Cameron actively supports technological development and utilization of data resources that improve the accuracy of appraisals and the efficiency of the valuations staff.

Harlow Cameron enjoys family, church, outdoor recreation, and small construction projects. He has served on the board of elders of the Twin Peaks Community Church for twenty years.

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