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COUNTY HOSTS BIPARTISAN POLICY CENTER AFFORDABLE HOUSING ROUNDTABLE

Alhambra, December 4, 2012 – Former U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary and Bipartisan Policy Center (BPC) Housing



From L-R: Los Angeles County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, CDC Executive Director Sean Rogan, BPC Housing Commissioner Marilyn Jordan-Taylor, and BPC Housing Co-Chair Henry Cisneros.

Commission Co-Chair Henry Cisneros joined the Community Development Commission (CDC), and the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) yesterday to host an affordable housing roundtable. The event brought together a powerful group of local non-profit and for-profit

developers as well as several large public housing authorities within the State, to engage in a moderated roundtable and discuss innovative models for achieving and sustaining affordable housing programs and services within our current economic and political environment.

“Listening to the insights of housing leaders from across the country has been instrumental to the BPC Housing Commission’s work. We are pleased to have this opportunity to learn about the unique challenges to housing markets in Southern California,” said Cisneros, co-chair of BPC’s Housing Commission.

This roundtable is one of several discussions hosted by the BPC Housing Commission. The goal of all events, including the one in Los Angeles, is to gather input on key housing issues and best practices from stakeholders across the country. Public input has been an integral part of the Commission’s process as it crafts a package of realistic and actionable recommendations for improving the nation’s housing policy.



Mercedes Márquez, Deputy Mayor for Housing, City of Los Angeles, moderates a discussion on proposed housing reform.

Making a continual effort to include all perspectives in its outreach and research, the Housing Commission has drawn upon a wide range of viewpoints, bringing together housing experts, business leaders, former elected officials, academics, and other key stakeholders to help define this complex issue. The Commission will release its final report in early 2013.

As an affordable housing and community and economic development agency, the CDC serves the County with wide-ranging programs that benefit residents and business owners in unincorporated areas, and in various incorporated cities that participate in CDC programs. HACoLA administers the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing programs on behalf of the County.

For additional information on services offered by the CDC/HACoLA, please visit www.lacdc.org. All media may contact Elisa Vásquez, CDC Public Information Officer, at (626) 586-1762. To learn more about the BPC, please visit www.bipartisanpolicy.org.