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## **LeadingAge California President and CEO Named to Master Plan for Aging Stakeholder Advisory Committee**

SACRAMENTO - Today, California Health and Human Services (CHHS) Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly announced the launch of the Master Plan for Aging Stakeholder Advisory Committee, which will include LeadingAge California President and CEO Jeannee Parker Martin. The committee will advise in the development of a Master Plan for Aging, which Governor Gavin Newsom called for in his State of the State Address to serve as a blueprint for state government, local communities, private organizations and philanthropy to ensure all Californians can age with dignity.

Martin released the following statement in response to the announcement:

**“Our ability to age with dignity in California is at risk. We must do more to assure access to housing, services and care for older adults. I look forward to serving on the advisory committee and partnering with Governor Newsom and Secretary Ghaly to tackle this growing crisis.”**

Martin will join a diverse group of older Californians, adults with disabilities, local government representatives, health care providers, health plans, employers, community-based organizations, foundations, academic researchers and organized labor to lay the groundwork in preparation for the state’s aging population. The Master Plan for Aging will be developed by October 1, 2020.

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