MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Doug Shupe
Senior Public Affairs Specialist, Automobile Club of Southern California

Doug is a senior public affairs specialist with the Automobile Club of Southern California. He serves as a primary media spokesperson in the 13 southernmost counties of the Golden State. He is the public relations lead on AAA’s distracted driving initiative which launched in April of this year. Prior to joining AAA, Doug was a television news reporter and anchor for 16 years in Florida and Texas. His previous experience covering traffic safety-related stories as a journalist brings real-world approaches to educating drivers and communities about potential dangers on the roadways.

WELCOME REMARKS

Steve Finnegan
Manager of Government Affairs and Public Policy, Automobile Club of Southern California and Chair, Mobility 21

Steve Finnegan leads public and government affairs, media and community relations, and traffic safety efforts for the Automobile Club of Southern California (AAA). He advocates for motorist and business issues, including improved traffic safety and mobility, effective and efficient use of transportation resources, adequate infrastructure for economic growth, and a healthy business environment.

Steve has experience in transportation, finance, business and advocacy. His career includes work as a financial analyst with Bank of America, leadership positions in planning and operations with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), and serving as a management consultant to public agencies and non-profit organizations.

Steve received a Master of Arts degree in urban planning from the University of California at Los Angeles and a Bachelor of Arts from Claremont McKenna College.

Hon. James Butts
First Vice Chair, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and Mayor, City of Inglewood

On February 1, 2011 Mayor James T. Butts, Jr. was sworn in as Inglewood’s 12th mayor. Mayor Butts has 45 years of public safety and municipal government experience. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from California State University and a Masters Degree in Business Administration from California Polytechnic University. Mayor Butts has held the rank of general manager or assistant general manager of 4 large and complex municipal organizations for the past 32 years. He served 19 years in the Inglewood Police Department rising to the rank of Deputy Chief, 15 years as the Chief of Police for the City of Santa Monica, and 5 years as an assistant general manager for Los Angeles World Airports in charge of Public Safety and Counterterrorism; taking LAX to a No. 1 ranking nationwide by the TSA in 2009.
In 2011 he negotiated with Madison Square Garden to renovate the Forum. In 2016, the Forum became the No. 1 concert venue in California. He secured reinstatement of the federally defunded Residential Sound Insulation Program by obtaining over $100 million in grant funding. Inglewood now operates the No. 1 Residential Sound Insulation Program in the country. On Nov. 4, 2014, Mayor Butts was reelected Mayor of Inglewood with over 83% of the votes cast—the highest margin of victory in Inglewood electoral history.

In 2015 & 2016 he was named one of the 500 most influential leaders in LA County by the Los Angeles Business Journal. His business expertise prevented bankruptcy, by reducing a structural deficit and various unfunded liabilities. Mayor Butts negotiated the return of the NFL to Southern California. Both the Rams and Chargers will play home games in Inglewood by the 2020 season. In June of 2017, he led the City to open negotiations with the Los Angeles Clippers with the mutual intent of relocating the Clippers to Inglewood into a cutting-edge NBA arena. By 2022 the LA Philharmonic will relocate its Youth Orchestra Program (YOLA) to Inglewood. In 2022, the Superbowl will be held in Inglewood, in 2023 the NCAA Championship Bowl game will take place in Inglewood, by 2024 it is expected the Clippers will open a state-of-the-art NBA arena here and finally in 2028, the Olympic Games will open in Inglewood, Calif. The only thing that has changed in Inglewood is everything.

TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

Fran Inman
Chair, California Transportation Commission; Senior Vice President, Majestic Realty Co.; and Advisory Board Member, Mobility 21

Fran Inman directs government relations and community affairs activities for Majestic Realty Co., one of the nation's largest privately held real estate development companies. With a real estate portfolio totaling approximately 84 million square feet of commercial properties, Majestic Realty has offices in Los Angeles; Atlanta; Bethlehem, Dallas, Denver, Fort Worth, Las Vegas and Laredo.

Fran has served on the California Transportation Commission since 2010 and currently serves as Vice Chair. In 2013, she was also appointed as a founding member of the National Freight Advisory Committee and co-chaired the sub-committee on project delivery and operations.

Fran served as the chair of the board of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce and serves as vice chair for the California Business Properties Association (CBPA). She is the former chair of the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership (SGVEP) and is also a founding board member of FuturePorts and a board member of Inland Action and the California Business Roundtable. She is also a long-time member of the Coalition of America’s Gateway and Trade Corridors.

Also recognized as a leader in the philanthropic community, Fran is the founding president of the Majestic Realty Foundation. Established in 2002, the Majestic Realty Foundation provides grants and other support to various charitable community partners that work the areas of youth, family, education, health, and violence prevention in the communities where Majestic Realty Co. does business.

Fran further demonstrates her commitment to active community engagement through her service as board member and former board chair of THINK Together, nationally-recognized non-profit providing extended learning programs that serve more than 150,000 at-risk and low-income students daily.
across California. She serves on the board of QueensCare, a $400+million foundation dedicated to providing healthcare for the underserved. Fran is also a trustee for Three Square, the regional food bank in Las Vegas, Nevada, and serves on the board of trustees for the University of Redlands as well as a member of UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs Advisory Board, METRANS and the UC-ITS Advisory Board.

A graduate of California State University, Fullerton, Fran holds both a BA and a MBA in finance. In 2010, she was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Business Administration from Woodbury University.

**Brian Annis**  
**Secretary, California State Transportation Agency**

In February 2018, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. appointed Brian Annis as Secretary of the California State Transportation Agency where he has served as acting secretary since 2018 and was undersecretary from 2013 to 2018. Prior to this appointment, he served as Deputy Secretary for Transportation at the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency. Secretary Annis served in various positions for the Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, including deputy staff director, principal consultant and consultant. He also served in various positions at the California Department of Finance, including principal program budget analyst, staff finance budget analyst and research analyst. Secretary Annis has also been an adjunct professor of economics at American River College and an economist for the Bureau of Labor Statistics at the U.S. Department of Labor.

Secretary Annis holds a bachelor’s degree in political economy of natural resources from the University of California, Berkeley, and a master’s degree in economics from the University of Washington.

**Hon. Julia Brownley**  
**Congresswoman, U.S. House of Representatives and Member, House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure**

Congresswoman Julia Brownley was first elected to Congress in 2012 to serve as the Representative for California’s 26th District, which encompasses most of Ventura County and a portion of Los Angeles County. As her first committee assignment, Congresswoman Brownley requested to serve on the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs. Congresswoman Brownley was elected as Ranking Member of the House Veterans’ Affairs Subcommittee on Health, and she also serves on the House Veterans’ Affairs Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. She also sits on the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, where she serves on the Subcommittees on Aviation, Highways & Transit, and Water Resources & Environment. Since coming to Congress, Congresswoman Brownley has been a steadfast champion of the Port of Hueneme, Channel Islands Harbor, Ventura Harbor, and our local airports, which are significant economic hubs for our community. She has helped secure funds and resources to maintain and expand our local infrastructure, promoting job creation and revenue growth for the region.
2018 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Gary Toebben  
*Former President & CEO, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce and Former Board Member, Mobility 21*

Gary Toebben was President and CEO of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce from July 1, 2006 to July 1, 2018. The Chamber was founded in 1888 and its 1600 member companies employ 650,000 people in Los Angeles County.

Gary was a leader in transforming Mobility 21 from an LA County organization founded in 2002, to a regional organization in 2008. He was chairman of the seven-county coalition in 2012.

Gary and the LA Chamber were key leaders in two successful Los Angeles County transportation measures: Measure R in 2008 and Measure M in 2016. He created a national coalition of chambers of commerce in support of including America Fast Forward in the 2012 Federal Surface Transportation Bill and was a strong proponent of SB1 to generate $5 billion per year in new revenue for California transportation projects.

Gary and the LA Chamber were also champions of the new LAX Master Plan approved by the L.A. City Council in 2012. That plan created the blueprint for $14 billion in public and private investments that are currently underway at LAX.

Prior to moving to Los Angeles, Toebben served as President of the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce for seven years. He began his chamber career in 1975 at the North Platte, Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and from 1981 to 1999, he served as President of the Lawrence, Kansas Chamber of Commerce. He was elected by his peers to serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives in 2003.