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FRAN BROUGH NAMED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Monday, December 6, 2010 — Fran Brough was introduced as Executive Director of the Regional Art Museum by President and CEO Frank Schillo at today's December meeting of the RAM Task Force held at City Hall in Westlake Village. Mrs. Brough, a former Executive Director of the Conejo/Las Virgenes Future Foundation (CLVFF) fills the vacancy caused by the sudden passing of Michele DePuy Leavitt who served as Executive Director, February through November 2010.

Fran, and her retired screen writer husband Walter, moved to Simi Valley at the end of 1998. She says that serving as Executive Director of RAM is a fitting reason for her to come out of retirement. The Regional Art Museum grew out of a seed planted by CLVFF during her final year with that organization.

Fran was born in the Bronx and raised in Mt. Vernon, New York. She received her BS from the State University of New York at Cortland in Secondary School Education. A math major and English minor, she continued graduate studies at both Fordham and Yeshiva Universities and completed her California Life Teaching Credential requirements at a variety of schools after moving to the state in the early sixties.

Fran taught math for several years in the Los Angeles Unified School District. With a move to Thousand Oaks in 1975 and the birth of her fourth child, she decided to retire from teaching, but remained active in a variety of ways, ranging from owning a small retail business to banking. In 1995 she joined the Conejo/Las Virgenes Future Foundation where she spent the last several years as their Executive Director. After retiring at the end of 2008, she became an active member of their board of trustees. She also serves on the board of Community Conscience/Under One Roof.