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PADILLA ELECTED CHAIR OF THE AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION LOS ANGELES LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

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Los Angeles – City Council President Alex Padilla has been elected to a three-year term as Chair of the American Diabetes Association's Los Angeles Leadership Council. The America Diabetes Association (ADA) is the nation's leading voluntary health organization supporting diabetes research, information and advocacy.

"I am excited about the opportunity to serve the Los Angeles community in this important role. We have a great deal of work to do in raising public awareness about diabetes. This is a disease that is impacting the lives of more people young and old, each and every year. While I have been working closely with the ADA for a number of years, I look forward to doing even more as Chair of the Leadership Council," said Council President Padilla.

"As a City leader and dedicated volunteer, we are very pleased that Alex Padilla has accepted his new leadership role with the ADA. Since joining the organization, Alex has demonstrated his commitment to the ADA's mission, vision and values at a critical time when the incidence of diabetes is on the rise throughout California and the nation," said Lynda K. Anderson, Senior Executive Director of the ADA's Los Angeles and Orange County offices.

The ADA's Leadership Council is an organized group of civic leaders and prominent health professionals brought together to raise funds, public awareness, promote advocacy and achieve program goals.

In this new role, Padilla is responsible for providing direction to the Council and its committees to support the ADA objectives in reaching people, recruiting volunteers, and assisting in developing strategies to provide the necessary financial support in the Los Angeles area.

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