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**MENDOCINO SUPERVISOR ELECTED
SECOND VICE PRESIDENT OF
STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION OF COUNTIES**
Michael Delbar to Help Lead California Counties in 2008

SACRAMENTO – The California State Association of Counties (CSAC) elected Mendocino County Supervisor Michael Delbar as Second Vice President at the association's 113th Annual Meeting, held in Alameda County, last week.

Supervisor Delbar will serve as the organization's Second Vice President for the coming year. Also elected were San Mateo County Supervisor Rich Gordon as President and Imperial County Supervisor Gary Wyatt as First Vice President.

"It is an honor to have been chosen by my colleagues to help lead California Counties in the coming year," said Supervisor Delbar. "In Mendocino County, we have tackled numerous challenges facing rural counties in particular, including infrastructure and resource availability. Moving forward, I am well prepared and committed to addressing the concerns and challenges facing all 58 of our counties."

Supervisor Delbar represents Mendocino County on the CSAC the Board of Directors, and served as Vice Chair of the Government Finance and Operations Policy Committee in 2007. He also serves on several local boards and commissions, including the Eel-Russian River Commission, Five County Salmon Conservation Committee, North Coast Counties Supervisors Association and Mendocino County Local Agency Formation Commission.

"This position will enable me to bring critical issues facing Mendocino and the other rural counties, such as water, transportation infrastructure, education, healthcare, and public safety to the forefront of our State Representatives, so that together we can tackle viable solutions and alternatives to some of our most pressing issues," added Supervisor Delbar.

Supervisor Delbar and his family reside in Eastern Mendocino County where they are part of a multi-generation local ranching family, with a cow-calf ranching operation and timber operation.

CSAC's Constitution and Bylaws mandate that each year the Presidency rotate from an urban to a suburban, and then to a rural county supervisor. Gordon represents urban counties, while Wyatt and Delbar represent suburban and rural counties, respectively. Under the established rotation of officers, Delbar would be up for election to President in 2010.

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CSAC is a nonprofit corporation that promotes the interests of California's 58 counties at the state and federal level. One of the association's primary goals is to educate the public about the value and necessity for county programs and services. Founded in 1895, CSAC is based in Sacramento. For more information, please visit www.csac.counties.org.