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LCCC Urges You to Get Vaccinated

California – Latino Caucus of California Counties (LCCC) President V. Manuel Perez strongly urges all Californians, on behalf of the LCCC, to get vaccinated for COVID-19.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has been the toughest year for many people due to health concerns, business troubles, and financial hardships,” said **LCCC President V. Manuel Perez (Riverside County – 4th District)**. “Fortunately, thanks to the many intelligent, dedicated, and unrelenting workers of the health industry, we now have an avenue in which to see light at the end of the tunnel – the COVID-19 vaccine. Pushed forward by the worst pandemic in 100 years, the COVID-19 vaccine was created in an expeditious manner rarely seen before, yet without suffering any loss to the safety and efficacy of the doses. While this modern medical marvel has saved many lives, it will not truly reach its full potential until we reach herd immunity – which means roughly 70% of all people are vaccinated. In California, we have done an incredible job of vaccinating our communities, however, we are only at 55% of the population being fully vaccinated. Unfortunately, that number is lower amongst California Latino/as with only 35% of that population being at least partially vaccinated. The good news is that while that number is not ideal, Latino/as had the most significant growth from April 20 (28%) to May 20 (35%). This trend **MUST** continue upward. To ensure that we can reach the 70% and get back to having as normal lives as possible, we need all Californians to please get your vaccine for COVID-19. In an effort to show solidarity and trust in the vaccine, below are pictures of LCCC members receiving their vaccine. We are almost to the end, please help us in getting there faster.”

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The Latino Caucus of California Counties is an organization which encourages the engagement and involvement of its Board and membership, works to provide solutions to issues and concerns of our Latino communities, and promotes Latino leaders.