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**COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER
CHARGED WITH FOUR FELONIES**

RIVERSIDE – Today, June 21, 2017, the Riverside County District Attorney’s Office filed four felony counts against Coachella Valley Unified School Board Member Francisco Becerra.

Becerra, DOB: 5-12-68, is charged in case INF1701084, with three counts of perjury (Penal Code section 118) and one count of false declaration of candidacy (Elections Code section 18203). If Becerra is convicted as currently charged, he faces more than four years in prison. Becerra is expected to surrender to the court on an unspecified date and no date for his arraignment on the four counts as been set at this time.

The charges were filed following an investigation conducted by District Attorney’s Office investigators assigned to the DA’s Public Integrity Team.

Evidence obtained during that investigation shows that Becerra submitted false documents to the Riverside County Registrar of Voters when he ran for a seat in Trustee Area 3 in 2016. When Becerra completed several forms at that time, each was signed which certified, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided was true and correct.

District Attorney Mike Hestrin is committed to holding the politicians of our county to a high standard to ensure that residents of Riverside County can trust their local leadership and have faith in our election process.

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