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STATEMENT BY LOS ANGELES MISSION COLLEGE PRESIDENT MONTE PEREZ, PH.D. REGARDING DARLENE MONTES

“Our entire campus community was saddened to learn of the untimely death of our beloved Dean of Academic Affairs, Darlene Montes. Darlene was a beautiful soul. She was well-loved on campus and touched the lives of countless community college students, not to mention faculty, staff and administrators. Dean Montes was a great administrator and had a reputation as a hard worker. We will greatly miss her.”

--Los Angeles Mission College President Monte Perez, Ph.D.

Additional Information:

The College has set up a GoFundMe account to raise funds for her family for funeral expenses. To donate, visit: www.gofundme.com/inmemoryofdarlene

Dean Darlene Montes dedicated her life to helping college students achieve their dreams through higher education.

- In 2001, she started working for the Los Angeles Community College District with the Personnel Commission.
- In 2008, she joined Los Angeles Mission College as the Executive Assistant in the President’s Office.
- In 2014, she became a Dean of Academic Affairs where she oversaw Noncredit (Adult Basic Education), Dual Enrollment, Chicano Studies, English, Communication Studies, ESL, Foreign Languages, the Library, and the Learning Resource Center.
- In 2019, she received an award from the College’s Administration of Justice Department for “Outstanding Leadership.”

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