

# Gloria Ray for ACCD, D-2

## **PUBLIC SERVICE:**

### ***STATE OF TEXAS***

2006 - Appointed by Gov. Rick Perry to serve on the Board of Directors for the powerful Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. In this capacity she, along with her Board colleagues, steers and establishes the policies and procedures for the statewide Affordable Housing Program. In 2008 she was elected to serve a Vice-President of the Board. Her appointment ran through March 2011.

### ***FIESTA, SAN ANTONIO COMMISSION***

On 1 August 2000, Mrs. Ray, as a volunteer, ascended to the **Presidency** of the **Fiesta San Antonio Commission**. The Fiesta San Antonio Commission, Inc. is a non-profit, volunteer, self-supporting organization that plans, promotes, coordinates and preserves Fiesta San Antonio through support of its Participating Member Organizations in presenting a safe, educational, annual celebration of the diverse heritage, culture, and spirit of San Antonio for its residents and visitors.

She is the **first minority female** to hold this position. To attain this goal, she served in every elected position on the Executive Committee. Additionally, she has either Chaired or served on every major Committee. In 1999, Mrs. Ray chaired the first ever Request for Proposal (RFP) competitive bid process for the Fiesta Carnival. As a result of her leadership and guidance, the largest, most financially beneficial contract was awarded in the history of Fiesta. She continues to serve as the **“Voice of Fiesta”** speaking to community groups and media outlets about the benefits of Fiesta to the citizenry.

### ***ALAMO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (AACOG)***

Member Housing Round Table - 2003 - 2006

Member Housing Advisory Committee – 2003 – 2010

***CARVER COMMUNITY CULTURAL CENTER BOARD – 2005-2006***

***MARTIN LUTHER KING (MLK) COMMISSION***

Mrs. Ray served as 2005 & 2006 **Chairman of the March Committee** for the annual MLK Birthday Celebration that has the reputation of being the largest March of its kind in the nation. Under her leadership, the **2005 MLK** March was the largest in our 20-year history, attracting a diverse crowd of over 100,000 participants, according to Police estimates. In 2007, Mrs. Ray accepted a two-year appointment to serve as the **MLK Commission Chair** to serve through the 2007 -2008 MLK Celebration. The 2008 MLK Observance broke all previous attendance records. She continues to serve on the MLK Interfaith Committee.

***VETERAN'S ORGANIZATIONS:***

1997-1998 – Secretary, Department of Texas, 20<sup>th</sup> District of the American Legion  
2006-2008 – Adjutant Trea., Department of Texas, American Ex-Prisoners of War