

## HEALTHCARE IS A HUMAN RIGHT

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## CLINICA ROMERO CEO CARLOS VAQUERANO'S STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF POLITICAL GIANT AND ICON GLORIA MOLINA

The Trailblazing Leader Dies at Age 74

(Los Angeles, CA)—"I offer my deepest condolences to the family of former Los Angeles County Supervisor Gloria Molina, a political giant, icon, and friend of Clinica Romero.

Her tenacity, resilience, and commitment were legendary. She always fought for Latino inclusion, empowerment, and political representation.

She made history as the first Latina in the State Assembly, Los Angeles City Council, and LA County Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Molina was instrumental in helping us secure the building at our Marengo location from the county. That would not have happened without her, and we would not have been able to offer primary care services to more than 18,000 people we serve today.

She was fearless and fierce in her commitment to lifting the Latino community. She blazed the trail for many Latino leaders who followed her, and she always remembered her roots.

I am grateful I had the great honor of working with her and calling her a friend of the Salvadoran community.

She made our lives better.

Rest in power, Supervisor Molina.

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About Clínica Romero: Clínica Romero, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), was established in 1983 in Los Angeles County to improve the availability, accessibility, and coordination of primary and preventive healthcare for recent Salvadoran immigrant families that did not have medical coverage. Today, it proudly serves the greater Latino community and others. Named after Monseñor Oscar A. Romero, the former archbishop of El Salvador, who championed the poor and spoke out against social injustice, Clínica Romero continues his legacy of love, compassion, and respect. Health care is a human right.