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District Attorney Jackie Lacey Announces Second-Term Goals at Oath of Office Ceremony

District Attorney Jackie Lacey announced today that she plans to focus more attention on protecting children from abuse and neglect and addressing the growing opioid abuse epidemic. She also said she plans to mandate elimination of bias training for all prosecutors.

District Attorney Lacey made her remarks after being sworn in to her second four-year term as Los Angeles County's 42nd District Attorney.

"I want to examine new ways to use the resources of my office to combat two areas of increasing public concern: child abuse and opiate addiction," she said. "We must do everything in our power to protect our children. It is time we reassess the laws and procedures that are designed to protect minors from abuse and neglect – but sometimes fail them."

"We also will use our expertise in prosecuting major narcotics dealers to fearlessly go after those who illegally supply opiates," she said.

In advocating elimination of bias training, District Attorney Lacey said she wants to guard against actual or perceived observations that racial or ethnic bias play in the prosecution of cases in Los Angeles County.

District Attorney Lacey was re-elected in June without opposition. It was the first time in 60 years that a Los Angeles County District Attorney ran unchallenged.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.