



DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE
The Honorable Ron Loveridge
Mayor, City of Riverside

Ronald O. Loveridge is a respected civic leader known for his passion and commitment to higher education. He has been a major supporter of Riverside Community College District for decades, and brought the city into a successful public/private partnership resulting in the Riverside Aquatics Complex. He is also a leader of Completion Counts, a partnership program to increase college-going and college-completion rates. Loveridge has worked tirelessly to ensure that the three universities and RCC are recognized and embraced as an integral part of the city's Arts & Innovation fabric.

In the fall of 2009, Loveridge was elected to an unprecedented fifth term as Mayor of the City of Riverside, resulting in 33 years of continuous public service to date. He was first elected mayor in 1994 and re-elected in 1997, 2001 and 2005. Before being elected as mayor, he served for 14 years on the Riverside City Council (1979-93).

As mayor of Riverside, Loveridge has played a pivotal role in the strategic and political landscape of the city and our region. His influence also has been evident through his service on the boards of the National League of Cities (including presidency in 2010), the League of California Cities (including presidency in 2004), the California Air Resources Board, California Competes, South Coast Air Quality Management District, Southern California Association of Governments, Western Riverside Council of Governments, and Inland Empire Economic Partnership. Mayor Loveridge was recently inducted into the National Academy of Public Policy.

Loveridge received his Ph.D. and MA in Political Science from Stanford University and a BA in Political Science from the University of Pacific. He first came to Riverside as a professor at the University of California, Riverside.