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**Eighth District**

**Kenneth Hahn**

Los Angeles City Council 1947-1953

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors 1952-1992

Kenneth Hahn was born in a house near 59th and Flower Street in Los Angeles on August 19, 1920. He attended neighborhoods schools-61st Street Elementary, John Muir Junior High, and John C. Fremont High School. He graduated from Pepperdine College in 1942 with a major in political science.

Mr. Hahn immediately joined the Navy and served nearly four years as a lieutenant, eventually commanding a small ship in the South Pacific. After the war, Hahn taught political science and American history at Pepperdine College.

In 1947, Hahn ran for his first political office and was elected to City Council from the Eighth District with a margin of seven votes. He was 29, the youngest person to be elected to Council at the time.

In 1952, Hahn was elected to the County Board of Supervisor for the first time. He was elected to his tenth term with 84% of the vote in 1988. While a Supervisor, Mr. Hahn was noted for his active role in promoting social causes. His achievements include helping to establish the paramedic program, bringing the Dodgers to Los Angeles, and putting emergency call boxes along the freeways. He retired from political office in 1992 and died from heart failure in 1997 at the age of 77. He still lived in the house that he bought almost 50 years before.



