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**STATEMENT**

SAN DIEGO, California (July 15, 2013) --- Councilman Kersey issued the following statement in response to graphic sexual harassment allegations against Mayor Bob Filner: **“The allegations released today are horrific, and my heart goes out to those who have remained anonymous for fear of retaliation. There must be a full investigation of these claims. We have a responsibility to ensure that no city worker remains silent out of fear. Although everyone is entitled to legal due process, it would be in the best interest of the City and our employees if the Mayor stepped aside to allow our workers to get their jobs done without being distracted by this circus at City Hall.”**

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