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**Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry Proclaims January 27, 2018 to be
Holocaust Remembrance Day in the City of San Diego**

San Diego—Surrounded by Holocaust survivors and their families, Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry issued a proclamation to commemorate Holocaust Remembrance Day, January 27, 2018, in the City of San Diego.

“Holocaust Remembrance Day offers an opportunity to reflect on the genocide that took the lives of more than six million European Jewish victims and to educate the citizens of the world to prevent this kind of unspeakable tragedy from ever occurring again,” said Council President Pro Tem Bry. “San Diego is home to many Holocaust survivors, and we are grateful to these individuals for sharing their stories to educate San Diegans about the atrocities of the Holocaust.”

Survivors Malka Friedenriech Kempner, Fanny Lebovits, Edith Palkowitz, Rose Schindler, Manya Wallenfels, and Mike Wallenfels personally attended the proclamation ceremony. Malka Friedenriech Kempner and Rose Schindler met for the first time at the event and discovered that they had both been imprisoned in Auschwitz during the same time period.

Michael Sonduck, President and CEO of the Jewish Federation accepted the proclamation and said, “I want to recognize the organizations in our community that, together, do everything we can to assure that survivors live their lives with dignity and that we never forget this terrible period in the world’s history and the lessons we can learn from it.” In addition to recognizing the work of local community rabbis and synagogues, Sonduck went on to acknowledge the following organizations for all that they do to support survivors and educate the community about the Holocaust: the New Life Club, Jewish Family Services, Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, Anti-Defamation League, the Jewish Community Foundation, Seacrest Villages, the San Diego Rabbinical Association, and the Butterfly Project.

Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry represents San Diego City Council District 1, which includes the communities of Carmel Valley, Del Mar Heights, Del Mar Mesa, La Jolla, Pacific Highlands Ranch, Torrey Hills, Torrey Pines, and University City.

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