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A Final Victory to Ban Motorized Devices on our Beach Boardwalks

San Diego— This morning, the City Council voted (5-4) to approve the motorized devices ban on our beach boardwalks on the second reading. Once again, concerned residents shared their firsthand accounts of the havoc that motorized devices have caused on the boardwalks. This is a public safety issue, not a transportation or mobility issue. Injuries to users and surrounding pedestrians have varied in severity, from scrapes and bruises to severe fractures, head injuries and even a fatality, and they occur at two times the rate of bike injuries, according to a recent study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Today was a big win in prioritizing public safety over corporate interests.

I want to sincerely thank the community for their patience and support. Today was possible because of the ongoing feedback and support from a broad coalition of residents. I also want to thank the Mayor's Office and my Council colleagues, Campbell, Montgomery, Kersey, and Moreno for their continued commitment to protect our residents and tourists on our beach boardwalks.

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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