To: San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria, Councilmember Vivian Moreno (D8), and Councilmember Sean Elo-Rivera (D9) CC: Chida Warren-Darby

The City of San Diego's Climate Advisory Board, thanks all of our San Diego Council Members and Mayor for all the dedicated time and consideration they put towards leading on climate action increasing climate efforts. As a board we also take our oath seriously to collaborate and share recommendations to strengthen the Climate Action Plan and climate equity in the City of San Diego. However, we have not been a complete board since the City Council approved our initial members in April 2024, and those vacancies may have been the factor which cost us unnecessary cancelations of four meetings in the last year due to lack of quorum.

The Climate Advisory Board has always had vacancies in Districts 8 & 9. Our board has worked diligently to outreach for community members and colleagues to submit applications, which they have, and yet none have been chosen in the 1st year of this boards conception.

This Board is making a formal request to District 8 Council Woman Vivian Moreno & District 9 Council Man Sean Elo-Rivera, to have a candidate chosen by our 1 year anniversary of our 1st official meeting in August 2025 or agree to have a meeting with the CAB Chair to discuss how the board can be supportive in choosing a representative of their respected communities to have a voice at the board table. And we request that Mayor Todd Gloria submit these candidates to City Council for approval within 30 days of their nomination.

The voices in these districts have been silenced and restrained by not being represented at meetings and the CAB hopes this letter is positively received and responsible parties are held accountable if they continue to create barriers for community voices to be heard.

Thank you,

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Tanisha-Jean Martin City of SD Climate Advisory Board, Chair