



**THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER RAUL CAMPILLO
DISTRICT 7**

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 15, 2026

TO: Mayor Todd Gloria

FROM: Councilmember Raul Campillo

SUBJECT: Mission Bay Park Restrooms

I am writing to express my continued concern over the closure of thirteen (13) of the twenty-three (23) public restrooms in Mission Bay Park. I'm excluding the five (5) restrooms along Mission Beach that remain open as they are not part of Mission Bay Park.

While I voted for the FY27 Final Budget, I made it clear during the budget process that I did not support the closure of these restrooms: **"I also want to flag the proposed restroom closures and maintenance reductions across Mission Bay, the shoreline, Fiesta Island. It's a hugely important asset and we have to at least get the basics right. When we cut something as basic as restrooms, restroom maintenance and general park upkeep, we send a message to the tourism stakeholders who help sustain our city budget – attracting visitors who also contribute to our budget – that their contributions are not valued. We must continue to prioritize investment in our parks. A restroom is not a luxury in a public park. It is the basic promise that a family, a senior, a tourist, or a worker can actually use the public space we say belongs to them."**

I continue to believe that keeping these facilities closed presents a public health and safety concern for the thousands of residents and visitors who use Mission Bay Park.

With Council President Pro Tem Lee's ballot proposal no longer moving forward after failing to advance out of the Rules Committee, I respectfully urge you to allocate a portion of the funds that had been set aside for that measure to immediately reopen the 13 closed restrooms. Redirecting

those funds would address an immediate community need and help restore a basic public service that is essential to the safe and enjoyable use of Mission Bay Park. Our constituents have asked for it.

Thank you for your attention and consideration of this request. I look forward to your response and to your prompt action to reopen these public restrooms.

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