

STATEMENT

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San Diego City Councilmember Todd Gloria Comments on Mass Shooting at Florida Gay Bar

San Diego Stands Strong with Orlando, Freedom and Love Will Prevail Over Terror and Hate

SAN DIEGO, CA (June 12, 2016) – San Diego Councilmember Todd Gloria issued the following statement today following the most deadly shooting in American history at the LGBT nightclub Pulse in Orlando, Florida, which left 50 dead, and 53 injured.

"The brutal massacre in Orlando which took 50 innocent lives and injured 53 more is an attack on all Americans and our values of freedom and inclusion that are the foundation of our nation" said Councilmember Gloria. "I ask San Diegans to keep the victims and their loved ones in their hearts today."

"Since early this morning I have been in communication with the Mayor's Office, San Diego Police Chief Shelly Zimmerman, and local leaders in our LGBT community to make certain that we are doing all we can to ensure public safety locally. We will protect our residents as we stand in solidarity with people across the nation mourning last night's tragic events."

Councilmember Gloria will be joining civic and LGBT community leaders at the San Diego Pride Flag monument at Normal Street and University Avenue at a vigil scheduled for Monday, June 13 at 6:30 p.m. The Pride Flag has been lowered to half staff in honor of the victims of the Orlando mass shooting.

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