



Proclamation of the City Council

City of San Diego

San Carlos Library: We Bought the Lot Day

Presented by Councilmember Raul A. Campillo

August 5, 2023

WHEREAS, the San Carlos Branch Library was founded in 1974 and faithfully serves the communities of San Carlos, Del Cerro, Allied Gardens, and Lake Murray; and

WHEREAS, the communities of San Carlos, Del Cerro, Allied Gardens, and Lake Murray have been awaiting the construction of a new, larger San Carlos Branch Library since 1995; and

WHEREAS, the path to purchasing the lot for the new library has been long and strenuous due to the lot's history as a gas station, which required the time-consuming mitigation of residual underground toxic substances and approvals from various environmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, the future lot for the new San Carlos Branch Library has officially been purchased by the City of San Diego for the original 1995 price of \$150,000; and

WHEREAS, City of San Diego Staff have contributed to the future of the San Carlos Library including the Department of Real Estate and Airport Management who coordinated the purchase of the land, the Engineering and Capital Projects Department for coordinating the design and construction of the new library, and the Library Department staff who will oversee operations of the new library; and

WHEREAS, the new 25,000 sq ft. San Carlos Branch Library will be "state-of-the-art" and create a welcoming atmosphere with meeting/study rooms, large areas dedicated to children's activities, maker spaces, a teen area with group study modules, and an adult reading area with natural light; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the new San Carlos Branch Library, with its tailored programs for older adults and children, will solidify its position as an integral part of the community, ensuring an inclusive experience for readers of all-ages; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim August 5, 2023 to be "San Carlos Library: We Bought the Lot Day" in the City of San Diego.



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Approved by Council on the

1st

Day of

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