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Councilmember Raul A. Campillo Announces Support for a “Bridge for Max”

SAN DIEGO — Raul A. Campillo, District 7 Councilmember and Chair of the Mission Trails Regional Park Task Force (MTRPTF), held a press conference this afternoon to formally announce his support for the construction of a pedestrian and bicycle bridge at the San Diego River Crossing in Mission Trails Regional Park to honor the memory of Max LeNail, the 21-year-old student who tragically drowned at the Crossing in January.

“I was honored to stand alongside the LeNail family, Councilmember LaCava, bicycle advocates, and former Mayor Dick Murphy of the Mission Trails Regional Park Citizens Advisory Committee today in announcing my support and to advocate for this important project. I will vote to advance this proposal at tomorrow’s Task Force meeting to honor the memory of a young man, Max LeNail, who was loved by so many and who left us far too soon.” Campillo said. “Our Park is one of the jewels of our City, and after an extensive review of the family’s proposal, I believe that the Bridge for Max is not only a step in the right direction but a necessity towards making our Park better, safer, and more accessible year-round.”

Among others, Councilmember Campillo was joined by his council colleague and member of the MTRPTF, Joe LaCava, who said, “I want to thank Councilmember Campillo for convening the LeNail family, community members and staff to swiftly address and agendaize this item after the CAC’s recommendation. I look forward to working together to find a tangible solution, and how we can best honor the memory of Max LeNail.”

Ben LeNail and Laurie Yoler, the parents of Max LeNail, who are promoting their efforts to [fundraise for the Bridge for Max](#), said in a statement, “We are grateful to Councilmember Campillo for championing the Max LeNail Memorial Bridge effort, which will result in a safer and better park experience for all. Throughout this process, our family has been greatly comforted by the incredible outpour of community support received and we remain focused on fundraising and working collaboratively with the City of San Diego and park stakeholders to see this effort through.”

About Councilmember Raul A. Campillo

Councilmember Raul A. Campillo proudly represents the Seventh Council District of the City of San Diego. District Seven includes the neighborhoods of Allied Gardens, Del Cerro, Grantville, Linda Vista, Mission

Valley, Serra Mesa, San Carlos, and Tierrasanta. District Seven is home to the new San Diego State University Mission Valley campus, Mission Trails Regional Park and Cowles Mountain, the Mission Basilica San Diego de Alcalá, Lake Murray, the San Diego River, and Skateworld.

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