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## Councilmember Moreno Statement on Inequity of City's Park and Recreation Programs in Underserved Communities

SAN DIEGO- Councilmember Vivian Moreno has issued the following statement regarding the Performance Audit of Equity in Recreation Programming which was heard in the City of San Diego's Audit Committee today:

"A severe inequity exists between our underserved communities and wealthy ones when it comes to programs offered at our City's park and recreation centers. This audit is clear in the differences.

Twice as many programs are offered in affluent communities and current program spending per recreation center is 47% higher in wealthy communities. It is an injustice for the kids and families in District 8 to not have the same opportunities because of where they live. The City of San Diego's Park and Recreation programs should be offered equally throughout the city.

The City Auditor's recommendations provide an excellent pathway for restructuring how we offer programming across San Diego and I look forward to seeing the City implement all of them."

The Audit Committee accepted and forwarded this Performance Audit to Council and requested that implementation of the recommendations begin to be funded in the FY22 mid-year budget adjustments.

More information on the Performance Audit can be found here.

Councilmember Vivian Moreno represents the Eighth Council District of the City of San Diego, which includes the communities of Barrio Logan, Egger Highlands, Grant Hill, Logan Heights, Memorial, Nestor, Ocean View Hills, Otay Mesa, San Ysidro, Shelltown, Sherman Heights, Stockton and the Tijuana River Valley.