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## **CITY OF SAN DIEGO TO DECLARE OCTOBER AS ARCHIVES MONTH** *City Clerk and Councilmember Cate to Cut Ribbon on City of San Diego's Historic Display*

San Diego, CA: On Friday, October 20, 2017 at 11:30 a.m., San Diego City Clerk, Elizabeth Maland, and San Diego City Councilmember, Chris Cate, will be joined by archivists, City staff, and historians to cut the ribbon for the City of San Diego's Archives Month display.

For more than a decade, Archives Month has celebrated the preservation profession and educated residents on the importance of preserving, cataloging, caring for, and providing accessibility to archives. Located in the lobby of City Hall, the Archives Month display will include historical City documents, books, and photographs dating as far back as 1817.

Begun in late 1987, the Archives Program is part of the Records Management Division of the City of San Diego Clerk's Office. Among the primary functions of the City's Archives Center are the identification, preservation, and storage of records with permanent reference value that capture the City's history. In addition to a chronology of events, this helps document our progress as a City.

Archival records show how the City identified and coped with administrative and operational issues, how policy and procedures were developed, and how City forefathers enacted and enforced legislation.

"By preserving San Diego's past, the City's archives will enhance the present and enrich the future of San Diego," stated Councilmember Chris Cate.

"Preserving original and trustworthy records and making them accessible to our citizens is a vital function in our democracy. Just as we continue to invest in the maintenance of our streets, parks and libraries, we must invest in and maintain the valuable records that preserve and protect the rights of the City and all San Diegans," said Elizabeth Maland, San Diego City Clerk.

**WHAT:** City of San Diego Archives Month Display – Ribbon Cutting

**WHERE:** City of San Diego, City Hall (Lobby), 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101

**WHEN:** Friday, October 20, 2017 at 11:30 a.m.

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