

## COUNCILMEMBER CHRIS CATE DISTRICT 6

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## COUNCILMAN CHRIS CATE PRESENTS CITY OF SAN DIEGO'S ALLOCATION OF \$15,070.99 TO DISTRICT 6 LIBRARIES TO KICK-OFF READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY

San Diego, CA: On Monday, March 2 at 10:00am, San Diego City Councilmember Chris Cate will be presenting \$15,070.99 in City funding to three (3) District 6 libraries, which will kick off Read Across America Day for his district.

"Public libraries are the backbone to a neighborhood and District 6 is home to four (4) City libraries. When we reinvest in our libraries, we reinvigorate our communities. At our libraries, new parents connect at infant story-times, school-based youth have a safe place to study, adults receive a second chance to earn a high school diploma, and elderly individuals attend events," stated Councilmember Cate. The funding allocations are as follows: North Clairemont \$4,162.58, Balboa \$7,636.32 and Mira Mesa \$3,272.09.

Read Across America Day is an annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on March 2, the birthday of beloved children's author Dr. Seuss. Motivating children to read is an important factor in student achievement and creating lifelong successful readers. Research has shown that children who are motivated and spend more time reading do better in school. <u>www.nea.org</u> or <u>www.sandiego.gov/public-library/</u>

**WHAT:** Councilmember Chris Cate presents funding for District 6 libraries, followed by reading "Oh, the Places You'll Go" to twenty five (25) local Clairemont youth.

WHERE: North Clairemont Library, 4616 Clairemont Drive, San Diego, CA 92117

WHEN: Monday, March 2, 2015 at 10:00am

**VISUALS:** Check presentation, youth (dressed up in Dr. Seuss attire), Clairemont families, City library staff

## About Councilmember Chris Cate:

Chris Cate is an advocate and voice for all residents in District 6. Chris proudly represents the neighborhoods of Clairemont Mesa, Kearny Mesa, Mira Mesa, Miramar, Park Village and Sorrento Valley. Chris will prioritize infrastructure improvements, recruit and retain quality police officers and help residents engage with elected officials, which will improve the quality of life in the neighborhoods of District 6. Visit <u>www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd6/</u> or call (619) 236-6616 to learn more about Chris, his staff and District 6.