

## OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER CHRISTOPHER WARD THIRD COUNCIL DISTRICT

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## COUNCILMEMBER WARD STATEMENT ON DEFEAT OF PROPOSAL TO ELIMINATE COUNCIL AUTHORITY TO SELECT COUNCIL PRESIDENT

**SAN DIEGO, CA** – *(Monday, January 29, 2018)* – San Diego Councilmember Chris Ward (District Three) made the following statement after the Council's vote against a proposal to eliminate Council's authority to select Council President:

"The proposal would have overruled the judgment of future Councilmembers as to how to most effectively conduct their own business. A Council President who is most senior but could not garner majority support would most likely not share the vision and priorities of the majority of the Council or – by extension – the majority of San Diegans who elected those Councilmembers. That's obviously wrong to me, and I'm pleased that we will not be undermining the will of the majority going forward."

For more information or to interview Councilmember Ward, contact Lucas O'Connor at (619) 236-6633 or (619) 368-3153.

Councilmember Ward represents San Diego's Third Council District including the communities of Downtown, Little Italy, Bankers Hill, Mission Hills, Middletown, Hillcrest, University Heights, North Park, Normal Heights, Old Town, South Park, and Golden Hill.

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