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### COUNCIL PRESIDENT CAMPBELL ON SPORTS ARENA SITE

SAN DIEGO, CA – After receiving notice this morning from the Mayor and the State of California that the proposed Sports Arena redevelopment process may have been in violation of the Surplus Land Act (SLA), Council President Jennifer Campbell released the following statement:

**“The Midway District has long been a forgotten corner of San Diego and this decision delays the timeline on a sorely needed upgrade,” Council President Campbell said. “I understand that many in the community will be frustrated with this unexpected outcome. That is why I am committed to working with Mayor Gloria, my council colleagues and community stakeholders to restart this process in a way that is in compliance with state guidelines.**

**I would request the Mayor and the Real Estate Assets team move expeditiously to reissue the Sports Arena Village Site RFP. Time is of the essence on this crucial decision. Additionally, I would ask that the Midway Planning Group be provided an update on the timeline and also be directly involved in the new process.**

**To be clear, creating affordable housing for San Diegans has been one of my top priorities. One silver lining in this decision is the chance to add more homes for working San Diegans to this site.**

**Regardless of the decision today, I look forward to a process that ultimately creates a more affordable, walkable and vibrant neighborhood as outlined in the 2018 Midway-Pacific Highway Community Plan.”**

***Council President Jennifer Campbell represents San Diego’s Second Council District including the communities of Bay Ho/Bay Park/Morena, Midway/North Bay, Mission Bay, Mission Beach, Ocean Beach, Pacific Beach and Point Loma.***

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