



**OFFICE OF MAYOR JERRY SANDERS
CITY OF SAN DIEGO**

MEMORANDUM

DATE : April 2, 2010

TO : Council President Hueso & Honorable Members of the San Diego City Council

FROM : Mayor Jerry Sanders

SUBJECT : Appointment to the San Diego Convention Center Corporation Board of Directors

It is my pleasure to appoint Nico Ferraro to the San Diego Convention Center Corporation Board of Directors, subject to your confirmation.

Nico Ferraro worked in the pipefitter trades for forty years and assumed many managerial and leadership roles as a result of his hard work and ability to find common ground. He began his career as a steamfitter apprentice in New York City in the early seventies before moving to San Diego where he became active in employee representation. He was elected to the Executive Board of Local 230 where he eventually served as the Pipefitter Business Representative.

Mr. Ferraro was appointed to Business Manager in 1997 and served in that capacity until his retirement in 2008. In this role, he represented the diverse divisions of the union as their Trustee to the pension, health and welfare funds. He also served as Secretary to the Joint Apprenticeship Committee, President of the Southern California Pipe Trades District Council #16, President of the Building Trades and as an Executive Board member to the Central Labor Council.

Mr. Ferraro was also appointed by Governor Gray Davis to the Industrial Welfare Commission Wage Board, overseeing working conditions for the mining, drilling and construction industries. He has been honored by the San Diego Building Trades as the "John Lyons Labor Leader of the Year" and also by the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council as "Labor Leader of the Year."

Mr. Ferraro has an Associate of Science Degree in Labor Studies. He will replace Bryan Min, who has resigned, for a term expiring December 1, 2011. Mr. Ferraro resides in El Cajon.

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I ask that you confirm this appointment and join me in acknowledging Mr. Ferraro for his willingness to give his time and expertise to serve the City of San Diego in this critical capacity.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JS", with a stylized flourish at the end.

JERRY SANDERS
Mayor

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cc: City Attorney Jan Goldsmith
City Clerk Elizabeth Maland