



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

MEMORANDUM

DATE : July 21, 2010

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

FROM : Mayor Jerry Sanders

SUBJECT : Appointments and Reappointments to the Commission on Gang
Prevention and Intervention/Chair Designation

It is my pleasure to appoint Joyce Abrams, Edward Martinez and Carol Williams and reappoint Mark Cafferty, Gary Gallegos, Rosa Ana Lozada and Danny Villareal to the Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention, subject to your confirmation.

Joyce Abrams is a retired teacher from the Chula Vista Elementary School District where she taught for more than twenty years. She currently serves on the City of San Diego's Human Relations Commission and on the Committee on Accreditation, California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. Ms. Abrams has also served as a UCSD Extension Instructor, a faculty member for the School of Teacher Education at San Diego State University, and has been named Chula Vista Hills Teacher of the Year. She is a LEAD graduate, where she was a Fellows Member for Gang Prevention for Pre-Adolescents. Ms. Abrams also was a court-appointed special advocate for Voices for Children and was Chair of the Health and Social Services Committee for the San Diego Grand Jury. She has a Master of Arts in Special Education from SDSU and a Bachelor of Arts in English.

Ms. Abrams was nominated by Councilmember Sherri Lightner and is replacing Victor Torres, who is not seeking reappointment, for a term expiring July 1, 2011. She will serve as the Council District 1 Representative on the Commission. Ms. Abrams resides in La Jolla.

Ed Martinez is the Chief Executive Officer for San Ysidro Health Center (SYHC), a federally qualified health center serving approximately 35,000 patients in South Bay and Central/Southeastern San Diego. SYHC offers an array of services, including pediatrics, adult medicine, mental health, dental care and more. Prior to SYHC, Mr. Martinez was the Chief Executive Officer at Community Health Centers of Southern Nevada, the only federally qualified health center in Nevada. He has also served as Chief Executive Officer at Harbor View Center in San Diego and Women's Hospital in Las Vegas. He received a

Master of Public Health from Yale University and a Master of Public Administration and Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration from San Diego State University.

Mr. Martinez is replacing Steve Eldred, who is termed out, as the Public Health Representative on the Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2012. He resides in El Cajon.

Carol Williams has more than 20 years of experience in the non-profit sector and is currently Vice President of Community Impact for the United Way of San Diego County. She has worked at the United Way since 1991, holding a number of different positions and tackling many disciplines. She began her service at the United Way in Baltimore, where she was Resource Director and Senior Regional Services Associate. After moving to San Diego County, she acted as a Loan Account Executive, a Campaign Resource Manager, Director of Workplace Giving and expanded that role to Marketing and Brand Management prior to moving to her current position as Vice President in 2006. She has worked to invest over \$10 million in the local community with particular focus on child welfare systems.

Ms. Williams is replacing Kevin Henderson, who is termed out, as the Social Services Representative for a term expiring July 1, 2012. She resides in Rancho Penasquitos.

Mark Cafferty, Rosa Ana Lozada and Danny Villareal will continue to serve on the Commission for terms expiring July 1, 2012.

Further, it is my pleasure to announce that Reverend Harry Cooper, Jr. will continue as Chair of the Commission.

I ask that you confirm these appointments and reappointments and join me in acknowledging these individuals for their continued willingness to serve the City of San Diego in this capacity.



JERRY SANDERS
Mayor

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cc: City Attorney Jan Goldsmith
City Clerk Elizabeth Maland