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

MEMORANDUM

DATE : November 12, 2008

TO : Council President Scott Peters and Honorable Members of the San Diego City Council

FROM : Mayor Jerry Sanders

SUBJECT : Appointment to the Park & Recreation Board

It is my pleasure to appoint William Diehl to the Park & Recreation Board, subject to your confirmation.

William Diehl retired in 2005 after 40 years of service in the military and civil service supporting naval aviation. While on active duty with the U.S. Navy, Mr. Diehl served as an Aviation Fire Control Technician from 1965-1976. Following his career in the U.S. Navy, Mr. Diehl worked with the Hughes Aircraft Company as a Field Technician and served as a Logistics Manager at the Aviation Depot on North Island for almost twenty years. Before retiring to an active life of community service, Mr. Diehl was the Support Equipment Manager for Commander Naval Air Pacific from 1996-2004.

Mr. Diehl is an effective and very active community leader dedicated to making a significant impact within and beyond the community. Since 1984, Mr. Diehl has served in a variety of positions with the Rancho Peñasquitos Park and Recreation Council including Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary. He has also served on the Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board since 1994, and the Peñasquitos East Landscape Maintenance District since 1989. In addition, over the last 24 years, Mr. Diehl has volunteered his time as a referee for youth soccer games throughout the San Diego community.

Mr. Diehl's community service efforts have been acknowledged by various civic and community organizations. In 2004, Mr. Diehl was acknowledged by the Rancho Peñasquitos Town Council as Volunteer of the Year. In 2006, he was the recipient of the Stuart Glassman Award from the San Diego Friends of Parks and Recreation Foundation which acknowledged Mr. Diehl's outstanding volunteer efforts and dedication to the City's park and recreation centers. Mr. Diehl's dedication, experience and insight into park and community planning will be a valued addition to the Park & Recreation Board.

Mr. Diehl received a Bachelor of the Arts degree in Business Administration from Chapman College. He was nominated by Council President Scott Peters, and resides in Rancho Peñasquitos. Mr. Diehl will replace Dan Mazzella, who is termed out, for a term ending March 1, 2010.

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



JERRY SANDERS
Mayor

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cc: City Attorney Michael Aguirre
City Clerk Elizabeth Maland