



News from
Councilmember Todd Gloria

City of San Diego ▪ District Three

STATEMENT

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Councilmember Gloria Takes 6% Pay Cut
FY 10 District Three Personnel Costs 12% Less Than FY 09

SAN DIEGO, CA (May 6, 2009) – San Diego City Councilmember Todd Gloria today issued the following statement on his solidarity with City employees and his personal commitment to address San Diego's financial challenges.

"In recognition of the sacrifices accepted by City employees and of the financial position of the City of San Diego, I will take a 6% pay cut in Fiscal Year 2010.

"I fully recognize the sacrifices we asked of our hard-working employees, and have taken action to ensure my office budget reflected a similar forfeit and was made as efficient as possible. We were given the same directive as City departments to cut 6% in labor costs from our already-tight budgets, and I am proud to say that we have reduced salaries overall by approximately 8% and reduced the fringe benefits expenditures by close to 4% in FY 2010.

"In addition, because informational technology services were decentralized citywide, our office budget was also forced to absorb a 114% increase in non-discretionary contracts, from \$26,600 in FY 09 to \$56,999 in FY 10. Even with this significant jump, I am proud that my office's bottom-line budget is still lower than in previous fiscal years.

"These cuts were not easy. Like employees throughout the City, my staff works incredibly hard to help me serve the public. I am proud we are doing our part to address the City's budget shortfalls, and look forward to working with my colleagues, our employees and all San Diegans to provide a permanent fix to our structural budget deficit."

Councilmember Gloria will take a 3% reduction in salary and a 3% reduction of Supplemental Pension Savings Plan (SPSP) funding, a formula modeled after that recently agreed to by the City's largest employee group, the Municipal Employees Association. He has also declined to accept the auto allowance since he took office, saving the City \$9,600 per fiscal year.

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