

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

TODD GLORIA MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 16, 2021

TO: Honorable Council President Jennifer Campbell

Honorable Councilmembers

FROM: Mayor Todd Gloria Godd Gloria

SUBJECT: Appointment to the San Diego Housing Commission Board of

Commissioners

I am pleased to appoint Melinda Vasquez to the San Diego Housing Commission Board of Commissioners to a term ending January 2, 2023.

Ms. Vasquez's is an attorney specializing in Real Estate Law, Labor Law, and Family Law. Her volunteer experience includes having served on numerous boards of prestigious organizations. Ms. Vasquez currently serves as commissioner on the Commission on the Status of Women and Girls for San Diego County and is the current Chair of the San Diego Housing Coalition. As Chair of the San Diego Housing Coalition, she represents a collective of community voices, organizations, lifelong advocates, and those who have been directly impacted by the housing crisis in San Diego. Ms. Vasquez also served as a court appointed special advocate (CASA) for children in the foster care system with non-profit organization Voices for Children.

Ms. Vasquez is a current resident of Rancho Peñasquitos and is a proud alum of Mt. Carmel High School. She also attended Palomar College and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from Humboldt State University. She earned her Juris Doctorate from the Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

I am confident Ms. Vasquez will bring her invaluable experiences to her service on the Housing Commission and thank her for her willingness to serve in this capacity.

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cc: Honorable Mara Elliott, City Attorney

Elizabeth Maland, City Clerk

Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst Rick Gentry, San Diego Housing Commission