KEVIN L. FAULCONER
MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 15, 2014

TO: Honorable Todd Gloria, Council President
Honorable Councilmembers

FROM: Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer

SUBJECT: Appointment and Reappointments to the Board of Building Appeals and Advisors

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It is my pleasure to reappoint Ms. Sommer Adams, Mr. Elham Falsafi Klausbrucker, and Mr. John Veltre and to appoint Ms. Mary Elaine Cooluris to the Board of Building Appeals and Advisors.

Ms. Cooluris has been the Executive Director of Able-Disabled Advocacy(A-DA), a San Diego nonprofit rehabilitation and workforce development organization for the past 30 years. The A-DA has met the needs of more than 30,000 individuals in San Diego who have required training, jobs, housing and a variety of service needs. Throughout her tenure, she has secured and brought into the community more than $60 million in state, federal and foundation funding at no additional expense to San Diego residents. These grants have provided essential services for San Diegans with and without disabilities, veterans, at-risk youth and the homeless.

Ms. Cooluris has also served on SANDAG's Stakeholders Working Group and the City of San Diego's task forces on Social Services (CDBG), Homeless & Domestic Violence. She has served as the President of Job Training Associates of San Diego and Co-Chair of the U.S. Department of Education's National Project Director's Planning Committee.

Ms. Cooluris has received several recognitions for her work including the Governor of California's Distinguished Service Award, the United States President's Inaugural New Freedom Initiative Award, and the YWCA Tribute to Women in Industry Award.

I look forward to working with Ms. Cooluris and am confident she will be a strong advocate for the disabled community on the Board of Building Appeals and Advisors.

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cc: Honorable Jan Goldsmith, City Attorney
Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst
Liz Maland, City Clerk