

KEVIN L. FAULCONER MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

April 15, 2014

TO:

Honorable Todd Gloria, Council President

Honorable Councilmembers

FROM:

Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer

SUBJECT: Reappointments and Appointments to the International Affairs Board

It is my pleasure to reappoint Mr. Bob Morris and Ms. Deborah Flores and to appoint Ms. Rachel Lim, Mr. Dennis Michael Broussard, and Mr. Emliano Aragon to the International Affairs Board. I would also like to appoint Mr. Aragon as Chair of the International Affairs Board.

Ms. Lim has worked in drug discovery for 10 years at DuPont Merck and Corvas International. Her main areas of focus were hepatitis C, malaria, cardiovascular diseases, and cancer. She is the Chair of the Program Committee for the World Affairs Council of San Diego, a member of the Board of Directors for the North County Chapter of the World Affairs Council, Corporate Secretary for San Diego International Sister Cities Association, and is on the Advisory Board for the Southern California Biotechnology Council.

Mr. Broussard is the founder of Silk Road Productions, an event management and production firm. He is responsible for bringing several important events to San Diego such as the Asian Cultural Festival, Filipino American Culture and Heritage Festival, and the AMP Music Festival. His involvement as a board member, volunteer or committee member include organizations such as the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition, Africa Aid, San Diego Asian Film Foundation, San Diego Chinese Center, Foundation for Change, Asian American Journalists Association, Korean American Coalition, and National Association of Asian American Professionals. He is the recipient of numerous awards including Cox Communications' Asian Pacific American Heritage Outstanding Individuals and the Asian Business Association's Community Service Award.

Emiliano Aragon is a Senior Systems and Technology Analyst at Systems Planning and Analysis, Inc. (SPA) where he supports advance planning efforts for U.S. Navy information technology systems and facilitates cooperative agreements for a U.S. Navy research and development laboratory in San Diego. Prior to joining SPA, Mr. Aragon conducted analysis of U.S. Navy programs and initiatives in support of strategic planning for a U.S. Navy research and development laboratory in San Diego. He is a seven-year veteran of the United States Marine Corps and was stationed at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar. A native of Ventura, California, Mr. Aragon holds a Bachelor's Degree in international security & conflict resolution from San Diego State University and a Master's Degree in pacific & international affairs from the University of California San Diego where he specialized in international politics and Latin America. He has served on the International Affairs Board from October 2012 to March 2014.

I look forward to working with all of these candidates and am confident they will bring valuable and diversified experience and expertise to the International Affairs Board.

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

Liz Maland, City Clerk