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NEWS RELEASE

## **Faulconer Announces He Will Chair National Mayors for the Freedom to Marry Organization**

*Mayor to Help Lead Organization Supporting Marriage Equality Nationwide*

San Diego, CA – Today, City of San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer announced that he will chair the [Mayors for the Freedom to Marry](#). The organization is a national campaign of nearly 400 mayors across America, which works to win the freedom to marry in more states and grow the national majority for marriage.

**San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer said**, “I am a strong supporter of marriage equality. I came to my decision after speaking with my fellow San Diegans about the importance of ensuring that everyone in love has access to the respect, dignity and protections offered by marriage. I value freedom, family, and individual liberty, and I'm proud to join Mayors for the Freedom to Marry to continue making the case for marriage nationwide.”

**Evan Wolfson, president of Freedom to Marry said**, “The values of freedom and family invoked by Mayor Faulconer in support of the freedom to marry are the values more and more Republicans are embracing as they move toward support as well. Mayors have a crucial role in advancing the well-being of the families, businesses, and communities that they serve, including gay and lesbian Americans who want to take care of their family and make a lifelong commitment to the person they love.”

Faulconer will join fellow Mayors for the Freedom to Marry chairs Kasim Reed of Atlanta, Julián Castro of San Antonio, Michael Nutter of Philadelphia, Annise Parker of Houston, Greg Stanton of Phoenix and Eric Garcetti of Los Angeles.

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