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San Diego City Council Unanimously Approves Councilmember Campillo's Proposal to Strengthen Family Childcare Provider Rights *Action safeguards Family Childcare Providers by requiring San Diego landlords include SB234 protections in rental agreements*

SAN DIEGO — Today, the San Diego City Council unanimously approved protections and education for family childcare providers who operate out of their own rental units. This bill strengthens SB234 (Skinner), which bars landlords from evicting tenants or raising rent for the sole reason of operating a family childcare home, by requiring information about SB234 is included in City of San Diego rental agreements.

"Access to quality and affordable childcare is often unavailable for far too many working families in the City of San Diego," said Councilmember Raul Campillo, who represents District 7 on the City Council and authored this item. **"We know that family childcare providers play a vital role in providing essential services for families and that they can be a big part of improving the supply of childcare options in our City. That's why I authored today's ordinance: renters need to know their rights so they can stand up to discrimination from landlords who aim to skirt the law. Improving access to quality and affordable childcare remains a top priority for me."**

Family child care home providers care for a group of children in their own private home, such as a house, apartment, or condo unit. [A 2022 study by the University of San Diego and the San Diego Foundation](#) found that there were 3,213 family childcare homes in San Diego County, which together provide 31,974 spots for children. Those 31,974 spots represent nearly one-third (32.3%) of total licensed childcare spots in San Diego County, with childcare centers making up the remainder.

Because of the lack of affordable and quality childcare options in San Diego, family childcare homes are an important alternative to commercial childcare options. The same study found that there are no available licensed childcare options for 48% of children ages 0 to 5 whose parents work and that the annual cost of a full-time childcare expense for two young children is nearly \$34,000.

"Today marks an exciting day," said Courtney Baltiyskyy, partner of the Children First Collective. **"We're proud to work with Councilmember Campillo and the Childcare Law Center to support this ordinance. The City of San Diego's action marks the strongest commitment seen from local government supporting family child care providers' rights as tenants, both as a provider of an important community service and as an integral part of our local economy. With over 1,400 family**

child care providers in the City of San Diego, this ordinance affirms the critical importance of child care for our community and economy.”

SB234, authored by State Senator Nancy Skinner was signed into law in 2019 and took effect on January 1, 2020. The bill strengthens protections for family childcare providers, both who currently operate family childcare or wish to operate family childcare in the future. In addition to prohibiting landlords from evicting or raising rent because a tenant is providing family childcare, it also bars landlords from refusing to rent to providers solely because a provider has a family childcare home.

Today’s action requires landlords include noticing about SB234 protections in rental agreements. Following today’s vote, it will head to Mayor Todd Gloria’s desk to be signed into law and will take effect on January 1, 2024.

About Councilmember Raul A. Campillo

Councilmember Raul A. Campillo proudly represents the Seventh Council District of the City of San Diego and serves as the Chair of the Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations Committee.

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