

**FILE NUMBER: 2024-319**

**DATE:** Tuesday, September 10, 2024

**SUBJECT: Proclaiming Gratitude for California Senate President Pro Tempore Emeritus Toni G. Atkins**

**DESCRIPTION: Resolution Proclaiming Gratitude for California Senate President Pro Tempore Emeritus Toni G. Atkins for Her Exemplary Service to the San Diego Region and the State of California.**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This resolution would proclaim gratitude for California Senate President pro Tempore Emeritus Toni G. Atkins for her exemplary service to the San Diego Region and the State of California.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt resolution.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact caused by approval of this action.

**COMPASS STRATEGIC GOALS:**

This agenda item supports the following Strategic Goal(s).

- Not applicable.

**DISCUSSION:**

This leadership of Senate President pro Tempore Emeritus Toni G. Atkins has left an indelible mark on the greater San Diego region and California as a whole. In partnership with the District, Pro Tempore Emeritus has advanced faithful stewardship of the Tidelands Trust and enabled the District to fulfill its mission through her support, courage, and dedication to the Tidelands and the public it benefits.

Staff recommends the District adopt the attached resolution in honor of the Pro Tempore Emeritus and celebration of her legacy of public service.

**General Counsel's Comments:**

The Office of the General Counsel has reviewed the agenda sheet and attachment, as presented to it, and approves the same as to form and legality.

## **Environmental Review:**

The proposed Board action, including without limitation a proclamation of gratitude for California Senate President Pro Tempore Emeritus Toni G. Atkins for her exemplary service to the San Diego Region and the State of California, does not constitute a project under the definition set forth in California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15378 because there is not a potential to result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment. Therefore, the proposed Board action is not subject to CEQA and no further action under CEQA is required.

The proposed Board item complies with Section 21 and 35 of the Port Act, which allow for the Board to pass resolutions and to do all acts necessary and convenient for the exercise of its powers. The Port Act was enacted by the California Legislature and is consistent with the Public Trust Doctrine. Consequently, the proposed Board action is consistent with the Public Trust Doctrine.

The proposed Board action does not allow for development, as defined in Section 30106 of the California Coastal Act, or new development, pursuant to Section 1.a. of the District's Coastal Development Permit Regulations. Therefore, issuance of a Coastal Development Permit or an exclusion finding is not required.

## **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Program:**

This agenda sheet has no direct DEI impact on District workforce or contract reporting at this time.

## **PREPARED BY:**

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Attachment(s):

Attachment A:       Resolution