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### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

# Following Recent Surge in Hate Acts, San Diego City Councilmembers to Share Reporting Tools and Supportive Resources for Victims of Hate

Public service announcement-style press conference comes during <u>United Against Hate week</u> and follows recent report that hate crime incidents rose 39% from 2022 to 2023

SAN DIEGO – This morning, San Diego City Councilmembers Raul Campillo and Stephen Whitburn will hold a press conference in the Hillcrest neighborhood, a community that has recently experienced a rise in hate incidents, focusing on sharing key tools and resources available to report hate crimes and support victims.

In recognition of United Against Hate Week, the press conference will raise public awareness around vital tools like <u>California vs. Hate</u>, which is free, confidential, available in over 200 languages, and enables residents to report hate incidents and access supportive services.

Speakers, including the two Councilmembers and two community leaders, will stand against hate, encourage the public to plug in to available resources, and offer support to those affected.

#### WHO:

Raul Campillo, San Diego City Councilmember (7<sup>th</sup> District)

Stephen Whitburn, San Diego City Councilmember (3<sup>rd</sup> District)

David Vance, Senior Manager of Advocacy & Civic Engagement, The San Diego LGBT Community Center

Nicole Murray-Ramirez, City and County Human Relations Commissioner and Longtime LGBTO+ Advocate

Captain Juan Sanchez, San Diego Police Department Criminal Intelligence Unit

WHERE: Rich's (side yard to left of building), 1051 University Ave, San Diego, CA 92103

WHEN: Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 8am

### **VISUALS:**

- A diverse group of San Diegans, including members of Muslim, Black, AAPI, Latino, Jewish, and LGBT communities, standing united behind the podium to support the antihate initiative
- Infographic poster reading "Get Support. Report Hate." with resources listed for victims of hate incidents, including CAvsHate.org and its hotline: 833-8-NO-HATE
- Signs displaying "UNITED AGAINST HATE" and "SAN DIEGO STANDS UNITED AGAINST HATE"