Office of Mayor Jerry Sanders

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SANDERS NOMINATES WATER DIRECTOR JIM BARRETT TO THE STANDING STAFF POSITION ON THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

San Diego – Mayor Jerry Sanders has nominated Water Director Jim Barrett for the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Water Authority. This appointment requires City Council approval. In keeping with Council Resolution R-294656, Mr. Barrett will replace George Loveland who had graciously continued to serve in this seat beyond his employment with the City of San Diego.

A previous administration and Council saw the necessity of a close coordination between CWA and the City of San Diego, CWA's largest shareholder. In 2001, this objective was met in part by the Council's designation of a standing staff position among the City of San Diego's ten appointees to CWA, also known as the City Ten.

"I believe that it is imperative for the City's Water Department to have a strong policy and operations partnership with CWA so that the needs and priorities of City ratepayers are optimally served," Mayor Sanders stated.

Mr. Barrett brings to the City of San Diego a combined private sector and federal government experience in pubic works management of over 30 years.

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