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TO: ORANGE COUNTY DIVISION MEMBER CITIES

RE: RESULTS OF 2022-23 DIVISION BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION & ANNOUNCEMENT OF TWO OPEN DISTRICT SEATS

On Thursday, September 8, 2022, the Membership of the Orange County Division elected a new slate of officers to the Division Board of Directors during the League of California Cities Annual Conference in the City of Long Beach. The following are the election results highlighting the city officials which were duly elected and sworn into office:

- **President** - John Taylor, Council Member, San Juan Capistrano
- **First Vice President** – Marshall Goodman, Council Member, La Palma
- **Second Vice President** – David Shawver, Mayor, Stanton
- **State League Director** – Kim Nguyen, Council Member, Garden Grove
- **Large City Representative** – Tammy Kim, Council Member, Irvine
- **Large City Representative** – Gloria Ma’ae, Council Member, Anaheim
- **Large City Representative** – Andrea Marr, Mayor Pro Tem, Costa Mesa
- **District 1 Representative** – Natalie Moser, Council Member, Huntington Beach
- **District 2 Representative** – David Penaloza, Council Member, Santa Ana
- **District 4 Representative** – Rose Espinoza, Mayor, La Habra
- **Past President** – Gene Hernandez, Council Member, Yorba Linda

**District 3 & District 5 Representatives**

The election results for the District 3 and District 5 representatives have been nullified as inconsistent with the Division Bylaws.

Each seat received two applications. Per Article IV, section C of the Division bylaws, a vote was held in which only the cities within the district were permitted to cast one vote each for their respective District Representative.

In District 3 a total of four cities cast votes, and in District 5 a total of eight cities cast votes. When the votes were tabulated, both candidates in District 3 received two votes each, and both candidates in District 5 received four votes each. Therefore, in both elections the votes were effectively split, and none of the candidates received a majority.

In such circumstances, Article IX, section A.1.b of the Division Bylaws provides that a run off election shall be held. However, instead of holding a run off by-district (as called for in Article IV, section C), a motion was made to hold the run off election at-large (meaning that every member city present at the meeting was permitted to vote for the District 3 & District 5 Representative seats). Eighteen cities voted in favor of the motion and no cities voted against it; so thereafter, an at-large election was held.
Following the meeting, a review of the Division Bylaws determined that an at-large vote for the election of District Representatives was not authorized (despite the unanimous vote to change the vote procedures for the run off) because Article IV, section C plainly allows only the cities in each district to select their District Representative. As a result, the election results are null and void.

Therefore, the offices of both District 3 and District 5 Representatives remain open and will be filled by district election at a special meeting to be set by the 2022-23 Division Board of Directors. Once the meeting date and location are finalized, a formal meeting announcement will be sent to the cities in District 3 and 5. If you have any questions, please contact me directly at (714) 944-4023 or via email at tcardenas@calcities.org.

Sincerely,

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