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The San Diego County Water Authority

By the Board Officers and the entire Board of Directors commending

Mark Watton

Whereas, Mark Watton has been involved in the civic affairs of San Diego County for several decades; and

Whereas, Mark Watton began serving on the Water Authority's Board of Directors in 1985; and

Whereas, Mark Watton served as the Chair of the Water Authority's Board from January 1, 1995 to December 31, 1996; and

Whereas, Mark served as the Chair of the Imported Water Committee from 2011 to 2013 and from 2015 to 2017; and

Whereas, Mark Watton has served on numerous committees and subcommittees of this Board; and

Whereas, Mark Watton was appointed by Governor Pete Wilson in 1998 to the Colorado River Board of California and by Governor Jerry Brown in 2017 as an alternate to the Colorado River Board of California; and

Whereas, Mark Watton was instrumental in securing high-priority Colorado River water for San Diego County through the Quantification Settlement Agreement; and

Whereas, Mark Watton was appointed by the Water Authority's Board of Directors to serve on the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California in 1993; and

Whereas, Mark Watton has helped develop new local water resources while advancing water-use efficiency and conservation; and

Whereas, Mark Watton has earned the respect of his colleagues and decision-makers in the water industry through consistent, thoughtful and respectful leadership;

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the San Diego County Water Authority that Mark Watton is congratulated for his long and distinguished service to San Diego County upon his retirement from the Otay Water District; he is hereby commended for a lifetime of service that has improved the quality of life in our region; and further, he is extended best wishes for continued success in the future.

Dated this 27th day of February 2020

Jim Madaffer, Chair

Gary Croucher, Vice Chair

Christy Guerin, Secretary

