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SANDERS, BOLING AND LUTAR URGE SUPPORT FOR CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES WHO WILL PROTECT PENSION REFORM

SAN DIEGO (May 3, 2016) – Jerry Sanders, April Boling, and Lani Lutar released the following joint-statement today:

"June's election could determine the fate of pension reform in San Diego. Four years ago, we campaigned for Proposition B – the Comprehensive Pension Reform initiative that 66 percent of San Diego voters supported.

"The measure is expected to save taxpayers \$1 billion – money that would have gone to bloated pensions. San Diego can now invest those funds in road repairs, parks, libraries, more police officers and firefighters, and other critical services the City provides.

"But now that's all at risk of being lost. Some union leaders are attacking the pension reform measure in the courts. If our elected officials do not defend pension reform, we could lose it all. We need City Councilmembers who will vigorously defend pension reform. Any weakness on the City Council could mean the reforms we worked so hard for, and voters supported overwhelmingly, could be watered down or eliminated.

"We encourage all San Diegans to ask candidates where they stand on pension reform and then vote for candidates who will resolutely defend it."

Jerry Sanders is President & CEO of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce. April Boling is former chair of the City's Pension Reform Committee and one of the authors of Proposition B, Comprehensive Pension Reform. Lani Lutar is former President & CEO of the San Diego County Taxpayers Association.

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