

## JOEL ANDERSON SUPERVISOR, SECOND DISTRICT SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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## BOARD UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTS ANDERSON'S SEX OFFENDER PLAN

Greater Notification and Participation in the Placement of Sex Offenders

(SAN DIEGO) – The San Diego County Board of Supervisors unanimously supported Supervisor Joel Anderson's measure to look at specific actions the Board can take to increase both notification of registered sex offenders and the placement of Sexually Violent Predators (SVPs). County staff will return with options.

"I intend to do everything I can to stop the dumping of sex offenders in my district," said Anderson. "It's time for local authorities to step up and lead this process. I intend to do so."

Anderson's staff spent several weeks researching this issue, receiving much unclear, often contradictory, and incomplete information from both state and local officials.

"Most of the public agencies we contacted, both state and local, indicated that they had no additional ability to expand their roles in notification of registered sex offenders and the housing of SVPs," said Anderson.

Anderson has found the following:

- The process is dysfunctional, lacks transparency and has inadequate public notification.
- There can be increased notification to the community regarding the location of registered sex offenders.
- There is the ability for a local process, or committee to be directly involved in giving input on the housing of SVPs such as Douglass Badger's placement in unincorporated El Cajon.

"This approach has never been acted upon. I will," said Anderson.

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