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NEW BOARD CHAIR TAKES HELM AT NTC FOUNDATION

SAN DIEGO (January 14, 2019) - The NTC Foundation is pleased to announce the election of **Ken Stipanov** as the new board chair, replacing **Lori Fleet-Martin**, who served for the last two years.

The Foundation board is tasked with overseeing the continued development of ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station and its transformation from a historic Navy base to a vibrant Arts & Culture District. At the recent board meeting, CEO **Lisa Johnson** thanked Fleet-Martin for her service, enthusiasm and energy. "Few volunteers bring the degree of passion, energy and spirit as Lori. She steered our ship valiantly as we celebrated our decade of growth. We are thrilled that she is staying on board and helping us transition to new leadership and the completion of the project."

Ken Stipanov is a retired attorney who now spends most of his time on community, volunteer, and family activities. He has served on the board for the past eight years. During his 36 years of private practice, Ken focused on commercial real estate transactions, particularly in the area of real estate financing.

"Ken's legal and real estate experience will continue to prove invaluable as we work to complete the final nine buildings under the auspices of the NTC Foundation," said Johnson.

"I look forward to the opportunity to support the creation of a legacy project for San Diego in my own neighborhood," explained Stipanov. "I am especially drawn to the project because of its permanence, and I will work to help ensure its financial sustainability as well as increasing its prestige in the art world."

In addition to his work with the NTC Foundation, Ken is a member of the Board of the San Diego Maritime Museum, where he has been a member of the Museum's sail crew. He is a prior Committee Chair of Scouts BSA Troop 500 Point Loma, and is now on the committee that is launching Troop 500 for Girls. He has served on the Vestry and as Senior Warden of All Souls' Episcopal Church. He holds degrees from Stanford and UCLA. Ken and his wife Julie live in Point Loma and have two grown children. In his spare time Ken enjoys backpacking, playing guitar, reading history, and spending time with family.

About ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station

ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station is San Diego's largest Arts & Cultural District located in historic buildings at the former Naval Training Center in the Liberty Station neighborhood, near Downtown on San Diego Bay. With 100 park-like acres, the ARTS DISTRICT is home to nearly 120 museums and galleries, artist studios, dance companies, fine dining, creative retail and other organizations that showcase San Diego's creative community and provide innovative experiences for the public. www.artsdistrictlibertystation.com

About NTC Foundation

NTC Foundation was established in 2000 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit to enrich the lives of San Diegans by renovating this signature community asset and creating, facilitating, and operating ARTS DISTRICT as a 100-acre creative district. Visitors experience the arts, culture, creativity, and cuisine that are the hallmarks of the San Diego region and enjoy innovative experiences in a historic setting at Liberty Station that inspire lives for generations to come.

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