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City Council Selects First Filipina American Mayor

Daly City – For the first time in the City’s 106-year history, Daly City will have a Filipina American Mayor. The Daly City Council unanimously elected Juslyn C. Manalo to serve as Mayor at its reorganization meeting on December 11, 2017. The Mayor will serve in this role for a one year term. Councilmember Raymond Buenaventura was selected to serve as Vice-Mayor during the annual City Council reorganization.

Mayor Manalo has served as the Vice-Mayor over the last year, following her election to the Daly City Council in November of 2016. The City Council selected Manalo to serve as Vice-Mayor after being sworn in as a first-time council member on December 5, 2016. Prior to being elected to the City Council, Mayor Manalo was a member of the Daly City Personnel Board. She was raised in Daly City and is a graduate of Jefferson High School. She earned a Bachelor’s degree in Asian American Studies and a Masters of Public Administration at San Francisco State University’s School of Public Affairs and Civic Engagement.

Mayor Manalo thanked her supporters after taking the ceremonial oath of office and said to the capacity crowd, “I am so humbled. I was raised in Daly City; this is my hometown. It is a real honor to lead my community and to serve as a role model for young people in Daly City to aspire to be the future elected leaders in their City,” she stated. The new Mayor detailed the priorities that she hopes to carry out during the coming year with a focus on economic development, “particularly a new hotel, commercial office buildings, affordable housing, and human services,” Manalo said.

Vice-Mayor Buenaventura, an attorney, was first appointed to the City Council in April 2011, to fill the unexpired term of former Councilmember Maggie Gomez. He was subsequently elected to the City Council in November 2011 and selected by his colleagues to serve as Mayor in his first full year on the

City Council. Buenaventura was re-elected in November of 2014. This is the second time that he will serve as Vice-Mayor. "I am gratified to be selected to serve as Vice-Mayor, once again, by my colleagues and to support the Mayor in fulfilling her priorities during the coming year," noted Buenaventura.

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