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Celebrate Local Leaders of Universal Declaration of Human Rights Annual United Nations Day Event

San Diego, California, October 24, 2018 – the United Nations Association of the United States of America, San Diego Chapter (UNA-USA San Diego) recognizes local champions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) as part of more than 200 UN Day celebrations happening across the United States.

Every October, the UNA-USA San Diego hosts UN Day to celebrate the anniversary of the United Nation's founding on October 24, 1945. This year, themed nationally *Human Rights, Close to Home*, the Association recognizes community leaders—including private businesses, government officials, and nonprofits—supporting the UN's commitment to human rights.

Hosted on **Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 11 AM to 2 PM at The Lot, Liberty Station**, the Association welcomes Mike Beard, Director of Global Health at the UN Foundation and honors **Xavier Becerra, California Attorney General** with the Eleanor Roosevelt Human Rights Award for 2018.

Further recognized are San Diego resident **Dr. Janina Scarlet**, Founder of *Superhero Therapy* and Executive Director of San Diego Pride, **Fernando Zweifach Lopez**, for their local efforts on a more inclusive, equitable future for all. Marking the 70th anniversary of the UDHR, Grandson of Eleanor and Franklin D. Roosevelt, **Ford Roosevelt**, President and CEO of Project GRAD Los Angeles is joining the event.

The UN Day celebration centers on local leadership in the implementation of the ambitious global *Sustainable Development Goals*, an inclusive agenda seeking to tackle root causes of poverty and inequality to bring positive change for both people and planet.

Event Information [UN Day 2018](#)

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About UNA USA San Diego

As a program of the UN Foundation, UNA USA San Diego is the local Ambassador to and for the United Nations. With its prestigious consultative status to the United Nations, UNA USA San Diego links the local community with the United Nations and vice versa. The organization's programs & events expand on the understanding of global issues through advocacy and mobilization for actions to support the principles and vital work of the United Nations. Fully volunteer-based, UNA USA San Diego actively engages partners and stakeholders locally since 1946.