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Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah  
President of the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC)  
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Lausanne, Switzerland

Dear Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah,

I write in whole-hearted support of the San Diego Exploratory Committee's application for San Diego, California to host the 2017 Inaugural World Beach Games.

The City of San Diego, home to successful National Football League and Major League Baseball franchises in the city for half a century, is a veteran organizer of major sporting events including the PGA US Open, the America's Cup, FIFA World Cup in 1994, and numerous marathons and sailing events, San Diego has long been accustomed to the world of sports.

In addition to the city's history, it's location acts as the busiest border crossing in the world. With just a two-hour drive to Los Angeles, San Diego is a hub for culture and entertainment. San Diego's climate is also arguably the best in the country. With little humidity and a constant breeze, the city's average temperature peaks at 74F and lowers to an average 65F in the evening. This weather allows for a comfortable atmosphere for athletes and tourists alike.

The work the San Diego Exploratory Committee has produced in its attempt to make San Diego the host city for the 2024 Summer Olympics, demonstrates the city's eagerness to take on a global sporting event. I hope that you will join me in supporting this proposal.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gavin Newsom".

Gavin Newsom  
Lieutenant Governor