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PRESS RELEASE

FLEET WEEK EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TOM CAUGHLAN, RESIGNS

SAN DIEGO, September 30, 2008 – The Board of Directors for the Fleet Week Foundation regrets to announce the official resignation the current Executive Director, Tom Caughlan.

Bill Hall, President of the Foundation said, “Many of us have been privileged to know and work side by side with Tom Caughlan, on a variety of projects that have honored and served our military members and their families. He is a man of extraordinary integrity, energy and imagination, who has had a profound, positive impact on our Foundation. We wish him the very best in his future endeavors, serving our nation and our region with the United States Marine Corps.”

Tom Caughlan served the Foundation for over seven years, and while with Fleet Week he used his many years of leadership experience to serve and give back to the servicemen and women, the defenders of our freedoms. As the Executive Director he played an integral role in making the events a success over the years.

The mission of the Fleet Week Foundation is to provide support, encouragement and recognition to our Military Patriots that serve our community and our nation. The Foundation arranges over 20 events throughout the year, including the Coronado Speed Festival, Red Bull Air Races, Sea & Air Parade, Enlisted Recognition Luncheon, Navy Ball, the Fleet Week Football Classic and the Fleet Week Padres Baseball Game.

Tom Caughlan has accepted the Chief of Staff position at Marine Corps Installations West, the command responsible for oversight and management of installations and air stations in the Western United States. His main duties will be leading and supervising the executive staff, planning, operations and budget execution.

Alexandra Squires will serve as acting Executive Director for the Fleet Week Foundation.

About Fleet Week

With a range of major corporate sponsors that include the Union Tribune, Northrop Grumman Corporation, the Port of San Diego, TriWest Healthcare Alliance, North Island Credit Union, General Dynamics, Viejas, SDG&E, DRS Technical Services, Lincoln Military Housing, the Padres, Sea World, Navy Federal Credit Union, USA Federal Credit Union, BAE Systems, Cubic Corporation, Lockheed Martin, Raytheon, CSC, Rockwell Collins, Epsilon Systems Solutions, SAIC, the San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau, AT&T, the McMillin Companies, and a host of others, the Foundation creates venues that entertain and thank our military service members and their families for their extraordinary sacrifice and selfless dedication.

Thanks to the overwhelming support from regional businesses and the people of San Diego, our Fleet Week has become the largest “thank you” to the military in the nation and has adopted the tag line, “Fleet Week, Honoring our Military throughout the Year”.

Fleet Week San Diego is a nonprofit, public benefit corporation. In addition to honoring the military services through the annual Fleet Week events, the Foundation’s goals are to foster awareness of the contributions made by



enlisted military personnel and their families, to enhance relationships between the civilian, business and military communities, to provide events that Military personnel and their families can attend at little or no cost, and to raise funds for charitable efforts benefiting enlisted service members and their families. Benefiting organizations include the USO, Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society and the Armed Services YMCA. For more information, or for a complete listing of all of the Fleet Week events, please visit www.fleetweeksandiego.org.

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