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Former Assemblymember Tom Ammiano Joins Palm Center

SAN FRANCISCO, CA – Former Assemblymember Tom Ammiano, a long-standing and nationally distinguished leader of the LGBT community and a graduate of San Francisco State University, has joined the Palm Center as a government relations consultant.

Ammiano, who served as School Board President, San Francisco City Supervisor, and Assembly Member of the California State Assembly, has had a 25-year career in public service. He will assist the Palm Center in its relations with the administration of San Francisco State University, the Board of Trustees of the California State University, and the California State Assembly Committee on Higher Education.

According to Ammiano, **"It is a pleasure to work with the Palm Center, which has provided outstanding service and unique value to the university community, the people of California and the LGBT community nationally."**

Palm Center Director Aaron Belkin, a Professor of Political Science at San Francisco State University, added, **"I am honored to be associated with Tom Ammiano, who is a true civil rights hero. His assistance will be invaluable in the Palm Center's relations with educational leaders in San Francisco and Sacramento."**

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About The Palm Center

The Palm Center is committed to sponsoring state-of-the-art scholarship to enhance the quality of public dialogue about critical and controversial issues of the day. For the past decade, the Palm Center's research on sexual minorities in the military has been published in leading social scientific journals. The Palm Center seeks to be a resource for university-affiliated as well as independent scholars, students, journalists, opinion leaders, and members of the public. For more information, see www.palmcenter.org