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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 273323

ADOPTED ON APR 251989

WHEREAS, on February 7, 1989, Mayor Maureen O'Connor, attending the Conference of Mayors in Washington, D.C., participated as a panelist in a anti-drug workshop on efforts to reduce drug trafficking and abuse; and

WHEREAS, participating on the panel with Mayor O'Connor was William J. Bennett, Director of the Federal Office of National Drug Control Policy, who reaffirmed the Bush Administration's pledge of a significant federal role in the cities' efforts to solve the nation's drug problems; and

WHEREAS, citing statistics that show San Diego spending 42% of its Police Department budget on drug-related enforcement,

Mayor O'Connor urged Director Bennett to eliminate red tape that requires federal money to pass through state agencies before it is distributed to cities and counties; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has been urged by those communities most affected by the proliferation and use of illegal drugs to declare that addressing the epidemic of drug trafficking and abuse is a critical and fundamental priority; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that Mayor Maureen O'Connor is hereby authorized to affirm to William J. Bennett the urgency of the assistance that San Diego is requesting in its efforts to fight drug trafficking and abuse.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mayor O'Connor is also authorized to seek the support and advocacy of San Diego's Congressional Delegation in this request for Federal assistance.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

Senior Chief Deputy

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