

(R-92-1124)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 279358

ADOPTED ON JAN 27 1992

WHEREAS, John L. Handcox, who has lived in San Diego since 1941, has always earned an honest living and continued to speak out for justice and racial equality; and

WHEREAS, John was a leading member of the Southern Farmers Tenant Union in Arkansas during the formation of that racially integrated organization of working men and women in the 1930s; and

WHEREAS, John, who has been called the poet laureate of the Southern Farmers Tenant Union, composed many songs and poems which describe the living conditions of working people and strengthened the resolve of those courageous union organizers; and

WHEREAS, John traveled to Washington, D.C., in 1936 to record his songs for posterity in the Library of Congress and has allowed his music to be used around the world by people struggling for peace and justice; and

WHEREAS, John picketed and sang to win jobs for African Americans in the retail establishments of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, John has been recognized across the country as an important songwriter and poet; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego,
that this Council hereby proclaims January 31, 1992 to be "JOHN
L. HANDCOX DAY" in San Diego.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

By Stuart H. Swett
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Senior Chief Deputy

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Passed and adopted by the Council of The City of San Diego on JAN. 27 1992,
by the following vote:

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| Mayor Maureen O'Connor | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

AUTHENTICATED BY:

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MAUREEN O'CONNOR
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

CHARLES G. ABDELNOUR
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By Mary Cepeda Deputy.

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