

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 280415

ADOPTED ON JUL 27 1992

WHEREAS, Scripps Institution of Oceanography in La Jolla has operated a public aquarium and museum for nearly a century; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 1992 Scripps Institution of Oceanography will open a new, larger facility, the Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum; and

WHEREAS, Scripps Institution of Oceanography has developed quality public education programs which reach audiences of all ages and which foster scientific curiosity, understanding, and concern for our planet; and

WHEREAS, visitors to the Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum will experience the frontiers of marine science through interactive museum exhibits and participation in exciting educational activities; and

WHEREAS, visitors to the new interpretive center will be able to explore the "blue planet" from the depths of the ocean to the far reaches of outer space; and

WHEREAS, this facility, situated on a spectacular site overlooking the Pacific Ocean, will feature more than thirty tanks of various sizes which simulate a variety of habitats such as rocky reefs, coral reefs, mangroves, and submarine canyons among others; and

WHEREAS, the exhibit hall will feature diverse aquatic regions from the cold waters of the Pacific Northwest through the

temperate waters of California to the tropical waters of Mexico and the Indo-Pacific; and

WHEREAS a specially designed gallery will allow visitors to view the 70,000-gallon kelp forest and discover the many ways to which kelp is utilized to enhance their lives; and

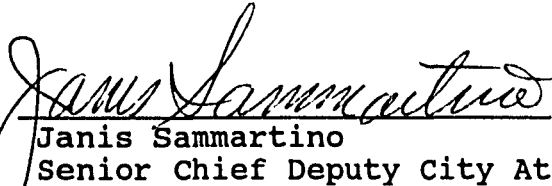
WHEREAS, visitors will encounter myriad marine creatures, ranging from intimidating sharks, to elegant but venomous lionfish, to fierce but docile moray eels, to the giant Pacific octopus or the tiny nudibranch; and

WHEREAS, the Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum will provide an exciting addition to San Diego, stimulate increased understanding of our oceans and planet, and promote wise use of our Earth's resources; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council hereby commends the Scripps Institution of Oceanography on the opening of this newest gift to the community, and the region, the Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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