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WHEREAS, the month of May has been proclaimed to be National Wetlands Month; and

WHEREAS, wetlands serve many crucial functions, providing spawning grounds for aquatic animals and nesting, feeding, and resting sites for native and migratory birds, filtering polluted waters, recharging aquifers and offering restorative expanses of great natural beauty; and

WHEREAS, San Diego's wetlands are veritable cradles of life, supporting and nourishing an interwoven complexity of plant and animal life, including pickleweed, ducks, eelgrass, topsmelts, egrets, tubeworms, ghost shrimp, least terns, rock crabs, and herons; and

WHEREAS, coastal wetlands are among the most endangered habitats in the world, with over seventy-five percent of the California coastal wetlands having already been destroyed; and

WHEREAS, public and private cooperation and commitment must be fostered to reverse the tide of wetlands degradation and destruction and to ensure the wholehearted stewardship of our wetlands; and

WHEREAS, the San Dieguito River Valley Open Space Park is dedicated to the protection and restoration of wetlands

throughout a fifty-five mile stretch of rich river flood plain, from the Pacific Ocean to the mountains of Julian; and

WHEREAS, the San Dieguito River Valley Open Space Park concurrently supports and replenishes the body and spirit of its numerous and varied human visitors with amenities ranging from trail systems to guided tours to nature educational programs; and

WHEREAS, the San Dieguito River Valley Open Space Park will continue to provide ecological stability, sustenance, and vitality for all manner of life for countless generations to come; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, on behalf of all the people of San Diego, does hereby recognize and commend the volunteers, staff members, benefactors and supporters of the San Dieguito River Valley Open Space Park for the exemplary standards they have set in safeguarding our natural environment and implementing the meritorious goals embodied in American Wetlands Month.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

Stuart H. Swett

Senior Chief Deputy

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