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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R-284034

## ADOPTED ON \_\_\_\_\_\_ MIN 06 1994

WHEREAS, the Council of The City of San Diego (the "Council") is concerned about the delivery of reliable supplies of high-quality drinking water to the City's 1.1 million residents; and

WHEREAS, the Council urges our local water utility to meet the water demands of the City's businesses and residents in an environmentally and economically responsible way; and

WHEREAS, the Safe Drinking Water Quality Act empowers the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") to protect public health through the establishment of water quality standards; and

WHEREAS, revisions to the Act are necessary to establish reasonable water quality standards, which are directly linked to affordable safe drinking water; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Representatives Jim Slattery and Thomas Bliley have introduced H.R. 3392, legislation that would reauthorize the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, while making much-needed, sensible changes to the current law that regulates the setting of water standards; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 3392 will compel the EPA to regulate compounds that actually occur in our drinking water and are a genuine public health concern; and

WHEREAS, measures would be taken under H.R. 3392 to make sure that the benefits of reducing the public's health risk when

setting standards are adequately weighed against the costs necessary to comply; and

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation will prevent water suppliers from being forced to use their limited resources to address very small risks, while significant health concerns go unregulated; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 3392 is supported by a coalition of national organizations representing local and state governments, state health agencies and public water suppliers; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that it supports the adoption of H.R. 3392, which will protect the quality of all water supplies in a responsible manner, and urges all U.S. congressional representatives to join in cosponsoring this critical legislation.

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