

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 284612

ADOPTED ON SEP 19 1994

WHEREAS, Border Voices, a multicultural poetry project, is promoting poetry in our schools and in the general community; and

WHEREAS, Border Voices has been sponsored by an unprecedented cross-section of public-spirited citizens from the cultural, academic and business sectors; and

WHEREAS, Border Voices hosted an extremely successful poetry fair in Balboa Park on March 12-13, 1994 which attracted over 2,000 participants; and

WHEREAS, during the first year of the Border Voices literacy tutorial, 25 poets worked at 70 schools reaching over 2,500 children across the county, helping the students to find their own voices through poetry; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this tutorial, a wonderful anthology of student poetry has been published; and

WHEREAS, Border Voices will again be conducting poetry workshops in local schools this year, with up to 3,500 children expected to participate; and

WHEREAS, Border Voices will be holding a second poetry fair in Balboa Park on March 11-12, 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Border Voices project has evolved to include many different poetry and literacy projects including the new "Poetry in Motion" program, which, in partnership with Pepsi-Cola, is placing poetry on San Diego Metropolitan Transit

System's ("MTS") buses and trolleys; and

WHEREAS, the "Poetry in Motion" program has chosen six poems from the first Border Voices anthology to place on San Diego's 600 MTS buses and trolleys in the Fall of 1994; and

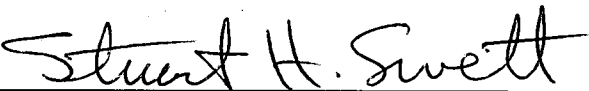
WHEREAS, all the children, teachers, poets and parents who have participated in all the Border Voices programs are to be commended for their efforts; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby congratulate all the participants in the Border Voices project for their contribution to literacy and poetry in San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that September 19, 1994 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "BORDER VOICES DAY" in The City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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