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WHEREAS, San Diego Opera was founded in 1950 by a group of dedicated volunteers as a presenter of visiting opera companies, including San Francisco Opera; and

WHEREAS, in May 1965, San Diego Opera became a producing company in its own right with its first production of La Boheme; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Opera celebrates its 30th anniversary this year with five grand operas and a world-class recital presented at the Civic Theatre beginning in January and ending in May 1995; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Opera reaches an audience of some 200,000 people each year through its productions, special events, community outreach, education programs and radio broadcasts; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Opera's education and outreach programs, through a three-year \$1.15 million grant from the Maxwell H. Gluck Foundation, have become one of the most extensive in the country; and

WHEREAS, "Operation Opera" includes docent presentations in the classroom, student dress rehearsals, two student participation programs in which elementary school children prepare and perform their own operas, a puppet program for grades K-3, and the Opera Ensemble - featuring six professional singers and an accompanist who present programs to schools, community

groups and opera guilds in the fall and spring; 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, hereby commends the staff and company of San Diego Opera for three decades of commitment to bringing quality entertainment to the citizens of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that January 15 through 21, 1995 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "SAN DIEGO OPERA 30TH ANNIVERSARY WEEK" in The City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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Stuart H. Swett Senior Chief Deputy

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Or.Dept:Mayor

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