

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 285261

ADOPTED ON JAN 31 1995

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to further the pursuit of cultural, business, educational and scientific exchanges, and to officially band together two cities, San Diego and Campinas, Brazil, in a Sister City affiliation; and

WHEREAS, San Diego has a large Portuguese and Brazilian community and is home to some 5,000 native Brazilians; and

WHEREAS, Campinas has a large economy contributing a major portion of the GNP; and

WHEREAS, Campinas recently opened its markets to outside trade, allowing San Diego to pursue its goal of becoming an essential component of international trade by linking with the strongest economy south of the border; and

WHEREAS, longer term economic trends enhancing the importance of trade relations argue persuasively for strengthening the ties between our two cities now; and

WHEREAS, San Diego State University's School of Public Health has already established an exchange with UNICAMP, one of the top three research universities in South America; and

WHEREAS, Campinas is located in most of the important science and technological research centers in Latin America, further increasing the interest of San Diego as the economic integration of the Americas proceeds in coming years; and

WHEREAS, the Campinas - San Diego Sister Society currently

has 21 members from the business, education and medical fields, and has already come together to strengthen the economic, cultural and commercial ties linking our two cities, and has pledged to support a Sister City affiliation between San Diego and Campinas; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council hereby expresses its desire to be a Sister City to Campinas, Brazil, and accepts the invitation of the Mayor of Sao Paulo/Campinas, the Honorable Jose Magalhaes Teixeira, to seek Sister City affiliation together.

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