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ADOPTED ON \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 29 1996

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO ON NOVEMBER 5, 1996, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY ONE OR MORE BALLOT PROPOSITIONS; AND CONSOLIDATING SAID SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, as follows:

Section 1. A Special Municipal Election is hereby called and ordered to be held in The City of San Diego, California, on November 5, 1996.

Section 2. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 223 of the Charter of The City of San Diego, Section 3(b) of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of California and Sections 34450 and 34458 of the California Government Code all dealing with Charter amendments, and pursuant to Section 23 of the Charter of The City of San Diego and Section 27.2501 of the San Diego Municipal Code, the Council of The City of San Diego, by separate

ordinance(s), may submit to the qualified voters of the City one or more ballot propositions at the November 5, 1996, Special Municipal Election.

Section 3. The propositions(s) shall be presented and printed upon the ballot and submitted to the voters in the manner and form set out in the separate ordinance(s) placing the proposition(s) on the November 5, 1996, ballot. An appropriate mark placed in the voting square after the work "YES" shall be counted in favor of the adoption of any proposition. An appropriate mark placed in the voting square after the word "NO" shall be counted against the adoption of any proposition.

Section 4. The proposition(s) submitted by separate ordinance(s) for placement on the November 5, 1996, ballot, if any, shall be designated on the ballot by a letter printed on the left margin of the square containing the description of the proposition as provided in California Elections Code section 13116.

Section 5. City propositions to be submitted to the voters at the November 5, 1996, Special Municipal Election, if any, shall appear on the ballot in the following order:

- (a) Bond measures in the order in which they qualify or are approved by the City Council;
- (b) Charter amendments in the order in which they qualify or are approved by the City Council;
- (c) Other legislative measures in the order in which they are approved by the City Council;
  - (d) Initiative measures pursuant to San Diego Municipal

Code section 27.2501 in the order in which they qualify;

- (e) Referendum measures in the order in which they qualify; and,
  - (f) Advisory matters.

Section 6. The polls for this Special Municipal Election shall be open at 7 a.m. (local time) on November 5, 1996, and remain open continuously until 8 p.m. (local time) on the same day. The polls shall closed at 8 p.m., except as provided in California Elections Code section 14401.

Section 7. The Special Municipal Election called for November 5, 1996, in The City of San Diego is hereby ordered consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held on the same date. Within the City of San Diego precincts, polling places and officers of the election for the Special Municipal Election shall be the same as those provided for the Statewide General Election.

Section 8. The Registrar of Voters of the County of San Diego is hereby authorized to canvas returns of this Special Municipal Election. The Registrar of Voters shall communicate the results of the canvas to the San Diego City Clerk, who shall in turn certify the results to the Council of The City of San Diego. The City Council shall then declare the results of the Special Municipal Election by resolution.

Section 9. Within The City of San Diego only one form of ballot shall be used.

Section 10. Since this election is to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election, and since the County Registrar of Voters is authorized to canvas returns of this Special Municipal Election, and since only one form of ballot is authorized, the method of voting upon the proposition(s) shall be as provided in the California Elections Code.

Section 11. Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance, the Special Municipal Election called for November 5, 1996, shall be conducted as provided by law for other municipal elections of The City of San Diego.

Section 12. The City Clerk shall cause this ordinance to be published once in the official newspaper. No other notice of the election need be given.

Section 14. If no propositions are approved by the City Council for placement on, or if no propositions otherwise qualify for placement on, the November 5, 1996, ballot by 5 p.m. on August 9, 1996, then this ordinance shall become null and void and shall have no force or effect.

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