

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 286832

ADOPTED ON JAN 23 1996

WHEREAS, the life, legacy, and lessons of Malcolm X (El Hajj Malik El-Shabazz) has positively influenced three generations of African-Americans as well as others committed to the forward flow of human history; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm X, after living a life of crime and dishonor, "woke up, cleaned up and stood up" for Civil and Human Rights in America and the world over; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm X taught himself to read while in the confines of the penal system and believed that it was his acquired ability to read that "awoke" inside him some long dormant craving to be mentally alive; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm X's commitment to his people, the struggle for racial and ethnic dignity will always be a monument and memorial to our youth; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego is honored to have named the largest regional library and performing arts center in the City after this slain martyr; and

WHEREAS, in honoring the legacy of Malcolm X, we honor the "best in ourselves;" 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 dedicate the San Diego City Library Valencia Park Branch as the Malcolm X Library and Performing Arts Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that January 6, 1996 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "MALCOLM X LIBRARY AND PERFORMING ARTS DAY" in The City of San Diego.

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