

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 287159

ADOPTED ON APR 15 1996

WHEREAS, April 22, 1996 will be the 26th annual celebration of Earth Day, and many events will be held during the month of April to promote environmental awareness; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day began in 1970 as a long-term endeavor to build a planet that would be clean, healthy, prosperous, and sustainable; and

WHEREAS, each year in San Diego County, more than 200,000 people actively observe and participate in Earth Day events and activities; and

WHEREAS, local governments can contribute to solving our environmental and natural resource problems through land use, transportation, solid waste, wastewater treatment, and zoning decisions that shape our environment; and

WHEREAS, San Diego currently operates numerous planning, recycling, energy and water conservation, and hazardous waste programs that depend on widespread understanding and participation in order to be successful; and

WHEREAS, by increasing public awareness and understanding of the importance of participating in environmental programs, we can preserve and protect our natural resources for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day will reach beyond existing environmental constituencies to involve the broadest possible cross-section of

society, including business, media, religious, civic, youth, academic, and cultural leaders; 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 proclaim April 22, 1996 to be "EARTH DAY" and April 21 through 28, 1996 to be "EARTH WEEK" in San Diego, and urges San Diegans to participate in Earth Day activities and work to preserve our natural resources.

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