

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 289494

ADOPTED ON DEC 02 1997

WHEREAS, on the evening of December 6, 1947, 58 undergraduate and 26 alumni members of Eta Omega Delta, a fraternity local to San Diego State College, were initiated into the Kappa Sigma Fraternity while 22 young men were accepted as pledges; and

WHEREAS, Kappa Sigma was originally founded as a secret society of students in the year 1400 at the University of Bologna by Manuel Chrysoloras, a Greek scholar; and

WHEREAS, the group's initial purpose was mutual protection of its members against physical attack and robbery by the unscrupulous governor of the city-state, which inspired the Ritual and beliefs of modern day Kappa Sigma; and

WHEREAS, Kappa Sigma in America was founded on the evening of December 10, 1869 by five students attending the University of Virginia, who were drawn together by the bonds of friendship, and through this brotherhood, the new members recorded their union in a Constitution and in an Oath which set forth certain ideals and principles to all Kappa Sigmas, steeped in the traditions of the past and dedicated to the Pursuit of Learning; and

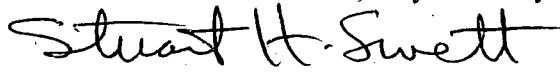
WHEREAS, today, Kappa Sigma is the fourth largest fraternity in the United States with 221 chapters, 8 colonies, 105 alumni chapters, an endowment fund that provides annual scholarships to members, as well as leadership awards recognizing the achievements of chapters and individuals, such as the development of an alcohol and drug education program which is widely used by other fraternities and various college campuses across the country; and

WHEREAS, on the evening of December 6, 1997, undergraduate and alumni members of the Epsilon-Iota Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity will meet at a banquet and awards ceremony at Sea World, in the spirit of friendship and brotherhood, to celebrate their 50th anniversary;
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 Saturday, December 6, 1997 to be **“Kappa Sigma Fraternity/Epsilon-Iota Chapter Day”** in San Diego, in recognition of their philanthropic events that benefit local charities and achievements on campus at San Diego State University.

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