## RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 289715

ADOPTED ON FEB 1 ? 1999

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego and County of San Diego are blessed with an awe-inspiring natural landscape and environment worthy of special attention and protections; and

WHEREAS, all residents of the City and County of San Diego are dependent on the wise and sustainable stewardship of our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Chapter of the Sierra Club was founded 50 years ago in September 1948 in order to educate residents to appreciate and work on behalf of our environment; and

WHEREAS, the thousands of members and volunteers of the Sierra Club have worked tirelessly to protect and explore the special nature and quality of life of all San Diegans; and

WHEREAS, Sierra Club members have been an effective citizens' voice over these 50 years in helping to actively protect San Diego's unique natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Sierra Club members and volunteers have been successful in many proactive efforts on behalf of conservation, education and community improvement including, among others:

Preservation of Pamo Valley;

Passage of The California Desert Protection Act in 1994, establishing a 7 million acre desert wilderness area;

Passage of The Managed Growth Citizen Initiative in 1985, which ensured proper planning for undeveloped areas of The City of San Diego;

Famosa Slough protection and restoration;

Increased water reclamation through the development of the North City Water Reclamation Plant;

Regular conduct of the Wilderness Basics Course and Nature Knowledge Workshop to educate over 400 people each year in responsible and safe outdoor activities; Establishment of an Inner City Outings program for disadvantaged youth and the disabled;

Conduct of the Focus on Youth program to promote outings for families; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the National Sierra Club and the Board of Trustees of The Sierra Club Foundation will meet here in San Diego from February 18 through 21, 1998 in honor of the San Diego Chapter's 50th anniversary year; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council does hereby declare and affirm their appreciation for the contributions to the community and the environment of the Sierra Club San Diego Chapter and formally acknowledges its 50th anniversary.

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