

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 289941

ADOPTED ON APR 20 1998

WHEREAS, April 22, 1998, will be the 28th annual celebration of Earth Day, and many events are 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 such as the Multiple Species Conservation Program, we can preserve and protect our natural resources for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day reaches 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, that the Mayor and the Council of the City of San Diego, do hereby proclaim April 22, 1998, to be "EARTH DAY" and April 19-25, 1998, to be "EARTH WEEK" in San Diego and urge San Diegans to work to preserve our natural resources.

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