

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 290024

ADOPTED ON MAY 04 1998

WHEREAS, there are several companies, laboratories, and universities located in San Diego which specialize in the research and development of advanced defense and space technologies; and

WHEREAS, there has not been a formal organization in place to allow local entities to compete for federal defense and space technology contracts; and

WHEREAS, individuals representing San Diego laboratories, businesses, and universities have formed a defense and space technology consortium; and

WHEREAS, this consortium of local institutions will now provide the central organizational infrastructure necessary to qualify San Diego businesses as eligible bidders on these contracts; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a consortium notifies the Department of Defense that the San Diego region has the resources necessary to compete for high-tech projects such as the Department of Defense North American Air Defense communications project; and

WHEREAS, such projects could have a significant impact on the creation of jobs and additional economic contributions to the San Diego region; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 1996 National Defense Authorization Act is expected to result in increased opportunities for private industry to bid on high-tech projects; 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 support the San Diego Defense and Space Technology Consortium and encourages its expansion to support and promote San Diego's advanced commercial technologies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is directed to work with the Consortium to plan a Defense and Space Technology Consortium Summit to be co-hosted by the San Diego City Council and the County Board of Supervisors.

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