

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 290422

ADOPTED ON JUL 20 1998

WHEREAS, lesbian and gay San Diegans are celebrating our history of achievements, contributions and spirit during the 24th annual San Diego Lesbian and Gay Pride Week, the theme for this year's celebration is "Unity Through Diversity - It Begins With Us . . . ;" and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Lesbian and Gay Pride Week from July 20 through July 26, 1998 culminates in a rally, parade, and festival and promises to be the biggest yet with an estimated 100,000 people to attend the weekend's activities; and

WHEREAS, each year the parade and festival draw more San Diegans and visitors to Hillcrest and Balboa Park and last year over 100,000 viewers lined the parade route; and

WHEREAS, lesbians and gays have had a significant effect on the quality of life of San Diego through valuable contributions to business, the arts, the military, cultural activities, religion, community involvement, volunteerism, medicine, law, athletics, civic leadership, education, and many more; and

WHEREAS, lesbians and gays continue to lead the community in addressing and remedying the many problems posed by the HIV/AIDS pandemic; and

WHEREAS, lesbians and gays have long championed the rights and freedoms of all people; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, does hereby encourage all people to share in the pride of our diverse citizenry harmoniously united in the bond of community and shared aspirations, and

recognize the many civic contributions of our lesbian and gay sisters and brothers, their families and organizations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the week of July 20 through 26, 1998, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "**LESBIAN AND GAY PRIDE WEEK**" in The City of San Diego.

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