

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 292272

ADOPTED ON OCT 05 1999

WHEREAS, the Common Council of The City of San Diego in 1899, at the urging of Dr. C.C. Parry, who discovered the Torrey Pine tree, and the San Diego Society of Natural History designated 369 acres of pueblo land as a public park to protect and preserve the rare and valuable Torrey Pine trees; and

WHEREAS, from 1908 to 1912 Ellen Browning Scripps, patron of the movement to save the Torrey Pine, purchased privately-owned lots to protect the trees from a planned subdivision adjacent to the City's land; and in 1921 along with the City Park Commission, appointed Guy Fleming as Custodian of her land as well as official caretaker of the City's portion; and

WHEREAS, the formal presentation of the Torrey Pines Lodge was made to the City on April 7, 1923, by J.C. Harper on behalf of Ellen Browning Scripps; and Judge Henry C. Ryan, chairman of the Park Board, accepted the gift and dedicated it to the citizens of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, in 1959, The City of San Diego officially turned over the parkland to the California State Department of Parks and Recreation marking it the first natural park reserve in the nation encompassing a diverse landscape of trees and plants, animal wildlife, unique habitat, and coastal sandstone bluffs; and

WHEREAS, the Torrey Pines State Reserve benefits from countless volunteer hours by the Torrey Pines Association, Torrey Pines Docent Society, and the Los Peñasquitos Lagoon Foundation, working diligently to protect, conserve and educate on behalf of the Reserve; NOW, THEREFORE;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council recognizes the 100th Anniversary of Torrey Pines State Reserve, which hosts over 1.5 million visitors enjoying its wonders each year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, and in honor of the 100th Anniversary of Torrey Pines State Reserve, hereby designates October 9, 1999 as "**Torrey Pines State Reserve Day**" in The City of San Diego.

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