

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 292307

ADOPTED ON OCT 18 1999

WHEREAS, the J. Peter Block Companies will host the re-lighting of the El Cortez Hotel sign on October 15, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the El Cortez Hotel opened in 1927 and closed in 1978 and is currently undergoing a \$23 million restoration which will include major structural improvements to its historical facade harkening back to its 1927 splendor and at the same time introducing modern amenities such as computer wiring and loft living spaces; and

WHEREAS, the El Cortez Hotel holds a special place in the hearts of many San Diegans as the site of important local and social events; and

WHEREAS, the re-lighting of the El Cortez sign is a preview of the promising future as the once vacant building will soon open and become a premier residence in the City of San Diego as the Apartments at El Cortez ; and

WHEREAS, Peter Janopaul and Anthony Block of the J. Peter Block Companies are leading the renaissance of the Cortez Hill neighborhood; 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 commend Peter Janopaul and Anthony Block for their tireless leadership to transform a once blighted block in Centre City into a monumental and viable project in the heart of The City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that October 15, 1999 is hereby proclaimed to be the  
"Grand Rooftop Sign Re-Lighting Celebration" to memorialize the re-lighting of the historic El  
Cortez sign in The City of San Diego.

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