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ORDINANCE NUMBER O- 18897 (NEW SERIES)

ADOPTED ON NOV 27 2000, 2000

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER II, ARTICLE 2,  
DIVISION 2 OF THE SAN DIEGO MUNICIPAL CODE BY  
ADDING SECTION 22.0228 RELATING TO FUNDING FOR  
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CITY LIBRARIES IN  
PROPOSING THE ANNUAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Friends of the San Diego Public Library requested that the San Diego City Council place on the November, 2000, ballot a measure that would amend the City Charter to require the City Council to annually appropriate a set level of funding for library operation, maintenance and supplies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council declined to place the proposed measure on the ballot, but agreed to consider an ordinance that would reflect the need for adequate library operations and maintenance funding; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the San Diego Municipal Code, along with a proposed new Council policy, would address the need for adequate library funding while retaining the necessary discretion in the City Council to annually appropriate the general fund for all of the City's needs; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter II, Article 2, Division 2, of the San Diego Municipal Code be amended by adding Section 22.0228, to read as follows:

**SEC. 22.0228 Preparation of Annual Budget; Library Appropriation**

In preparing the budget required by Section 69 of the Charter, the City Manager shall include a proposed appropriation for general library operation, maintenance and supplies for the San Diego Public Library System, as follows:

- (a) For Fiscal Year 2002, an amount equal to at least 4-1/2% of the proposed General Fund budget for Fiscal Year 2002;
- (b) For Fiscal Year 2003, an amount equal to at least 5% of the proposed General Fund budget for Fiscal Year 2003;
- (c) For Fiscal Year 2004, an amount equal to at least 5-1/2% of the proposed General Fund budget for Fiscal Year 2004;
- (d) For Fiscal Year 2005, and for each Fiscal Year thereafter, an amount equal to at least 6% of the proposed General Fund budget for each such Fiscal Year.

The City Council, in considering the passage each year of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance pursuant to Section 71 of the Charter, shall consider this proposed appropriation and shall make any appropriation for general library operation, maintenance and supplies in accordance with Council Policy 100-19.

Section 2. A full reading of this ordinance is dispensed with prior to its final passage, a written or printed copy having been available to the City Council and the public a day prior to its final passage.

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Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force on the thirtieth day from  
and after its passage.

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