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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 292805 ADOPTED ON MAR 0 6 2000

WHEREAS, Saint Patrick introduced Christianity into Ireland and is honored annually on the anniversary of his death, March 17, 461 A.D.; and

WHEREAS, the 20th Annual San Diego Saint Patrick's Day Parade and Celebration will be held on March 11, 2000, and is dedicated to "20 Years of Unity;" and

WHEREAS, the Saint Patrick's Day Parade will recognize Kevin Kelly and Sue King as San Diego's Man and Woman of the Year, and honor Malachy Neilan and Bernardette Cashman as the Irishman and Irishwoman of the Year; and

WHEREAS, the Parade Grand Marshalls are Jim Foley, Tom Mulcahy, Vince Lynch, Rod Page, and Larry Cronin, and the Posthumous Grand Marshals are Jim Shannon, Father McGovern and John Reynolds; and

WHEREAS, the Irish Congress of Southern California has promoted community and ethnic pride by sharing this important part of Irish history and tradition on this day when a "bit of Irish" can be found in all who join in this celebration of life; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that on behalf of the people of San Diego, this Council hereby proclaims March 11, 2000, to be "20th ANNUAL SAN DIEGO SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE AND CELEBRATION DAY" and

commends the participants and organizers for creating a joyous Saint Patrick's Day event which celebrates both the strength, and wonderful spirit of the Irish people.

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