

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 292992

ADOPTED ON APR 17 2000

WHEREAS, the Park and Recreation Department seeks to preserve and protect our limited local water supply by utilizing reclaimed water for landscape where feasible and by promoting efficient landscape water use through landscape design and water management techniques; and

WHEREAS, the Park and Recreation Department is devoted to educating children and adults about the importance of protecting parks and open space for the ecological integrity and diversity essential to the survival of plants and wildlife; through nature programs and interpretive walks, as well as the coordination of volunteer park restoration and maintenance projects managed by park rangers; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Wastewater Department's Operations and Maintenance Division has demonstrated environmental excellence through achieving the coveted ISO 14001 certification, making it the first publicly-owned wastewater treatment operation in the nation to receive this certification; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Wastewater Department recognizes the importance of protecting the water quality of San Diego's beaches and bays, and has opened the three and one-half mile South Bay Ocean Outfall which will handle sewage flows from the federal government's International Wastewater Treatment Plant and the new South Bay Water Reclamation Plant; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that the month of April

2000 is hereby proclaimed to be "SAN DIEGO EARTH MONTH" and the City Council recognizes the significance of Earth Day and celebrates the City's environmental accomplishments that benefit all San Diegans.

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