

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 293236

ADOPTED ON JUN 5 - 2000

WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service, as part of its "Celebrate the Century" commemorative stamp and educational program, has taken to the rails with an old-fashioned national rail tour aboard the "Celebrate The Century Express"; and

WHEREAS, the official launch of this history museum on rails took place on March 11, 1999 and includes an 18-month tour of the United States, stopping in more than 100 cities in over 40 states through the fall of 2000; and

WHEREAS, this specially outfitted, four-car Amtrak train will bear colorful images of U.S. postage stamps and house multimedia exhibits that will tell the story of the 100-year partnership between the U.S. Postal Service and the railroad industry in a fun and educational way; and

WHEREAS, on loan by noted rail historian James Bistline of Alexandria, Virginia, this historically accurate Railway Post Office car was restored by Northern Rail Car and will be donated to a museum after the end of the Express' nationwide tour; and

WHEREAS, we support and honor the effort to preserve the historical record and educate the public about the rich history of the U.S. Postal Service; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim Saturday, May 20, 2000 to be "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE 'CELEBRATE THE CENTURY EXPRESS DAY'" in San Diego, in

recognition of an outstanding commitment to historical preservation and service to the United States public.

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