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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 293276

ADOPTED ON \_\_\_\_\_\_ JUN 1 9 2000

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Community Church of San Diego (MCCSD) was founded in 1970 by a small group of activists who wanted a church home for members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community in which they could congregate in an atmosphere of support, understanding and acceptance; and

WHEREAS, today the church, which is located at 4333 30th Street and has more than 400 members, remains, as it was at its inception, an integral part of the LGBT community; and

WHEREAS, for the past 30 years MCCSD has served the LGBT community as more than just a church; and

WHEREAS, its members have taken an active role in social issues, whether it was "Christians for Social Action" battling 1977s Proposition 6 which sought to exclude lesbians and gays from teaching positions in California, or the membership actively working on AIDS awareness, compassion, and fund-raising, or church leadership working tirelessly to pass the City of San Diego's Human Dignity Ordinance, MCCSD has been a key player in the LGBT community's fight for fairness, equality, and social justice; and

WHEREAS, MCCSD leaders and members have been instrumental in founding many of San Diego's most influential and visible organizations. Groups as diverse as the San Diego Democratic Club, Stepping Stone, Greater San Diego Business Association, Auntie Helen's, The Center, and the San Diego Gay and Lesbian Historical Society can each trace their roots to MCCSD; and

WHEREAS, during the month of June 2000, MCCSD will celebrate its 30th anniversary as a congregation serving the LGBT community of San Diego; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council does hereby recognize the efforts of the Metropolitan Community Church of San Diego over the past 30 years to provide a spiritual home and center for social activism for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that June 2000, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF SAN DIEGO MONTH" in The City of San of San Diego.

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