## RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 293500 ADOPTED ON JUL 1 8 2000

WHEREAS, the City of Imperial Beach has requested that The City of San Diego [City] and the San Diego Unified Port District [District] consider including the old Pond 20 site within the proposed expansion of the Imperial Beach Redevelopment Project Area; and

WHEREAS, Pond 20 is a parcel of land of approximately 115 acres at the extreme south end of the San Diego Bay located within the City of San Diego adjacent to the City of Imperial Beach [the Site]; and

WHEREAS, the Site is owned by the District and is the former location of salt mining operations of Western Salt Company; a portion of the Site is immediately adjacent to Palm Avenue, a commercial strip that crosses both the City of San Diego and the City of Imperial Beach; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego's community plan for the Otay Mesa-Nestor community discusses the salt ponds in general and acknowledges the importance of the salt mining operations to the area's economy and management of the important wildlife/environmental opportunities this area offers and recommends that any future development of this area should insure these continued uses and preservation of these resources; and

WHEREAS, a proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Imperial Beach, the City, and the District provides for each jurisdiction, at its sole expense, to investigate the feasibility of developing the Site as well as to determine its highest and best use; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that the City Manager is authorized and empowered to execute, for and on behalf of said City, a Memorandum of Understanding between The City of San Diego, the City of Imperial Beach, and the San Diego Unified Port District, for the purpose of allowing each jurisdiction, at its sole expense, to investigate the feasibility of developing the Pond 20 site as well as to determine its highest and best use, under the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement on file in the office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR
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