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RESOLUTION NUMBER R-_____

ADOPTED ON JUN 19 2001

WHEREAS, Stepping Stone of San Diego was founded in 1976 to create, sustain and extend life-enhancing, alcohol and other drug recovery and prevention services primarily to gays and lesbians in San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, Stepping Stone of San Diego began its operation as a four-to-six-bed residential facility with one staff member; and

WHEREAS, Stepping Stone of San Diego now serves twenty-eight residents at its newly constructed, award-winning transitional housing development on Central Avenue in City Heights; and

WHEREAS, Stepping Stone of San Diego operates a 10-bed shared residential housing facility for persons living with HIV/AIDS, along with HIV case management and a countywide outreach program that offers support, assessment and referrals regarding HIV/AIDS and addiction for men and women living with HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Stepping Stone of San Diego oversees a 12-bed shared residential housing facility for people who were formerly homeless that need a longer period of time to become productive members of our community, and offers a homeless outreach case-management service that places homeless individuals wanting recovery in immediate housing as well as in medical and dental care programs; and

WHEREAS, Stepping Stone of San Diego also operates a non-residential day-treatment program in Hillcrest that provides services to several hundred clients a year; and

WHEREAS, Stepping Stone of San Diego currently employs twenty staff members and utilizes dozens of volunteers, all of whom assist with the wide variety of services offered at both the residential facilities and the day-treatment center; and

WHEREAS, Stepping Stone of San Diego will commemorate twenty-five years of service to San Diego's recovery communities with a gala silver anniversary celebration on Friday, June 8, 2001, at the Paradise Point Resort in Mission Bay; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council does hereby recognize the 25th anniversary of Stepping Stone of San Diego, and commends them for providing much needed residential care and day treatment to the HIV/AIDS, homeless, and gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender recovery communities in San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, June 8, 2001, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "STEPPING STONE OF SAN DIEGO DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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