

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 295185

ADOPTED ON JUL 23 2001

WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered San Diegans are commemorating their community's rich history of courage, spirit, achievement, and activism, and marking the 27th anniversary of their annual celebration, this year under the banner of "Diversity Creates Community;" and

WHEREAS, this year's event, running from July 23 through July 29, and culminating in a weekend which features a rally, parade and festival, promises to be the biggest and brightest celebration to date, with an estimated attendance of 200,000 people at the weekend's activities; and

WHEREAS, each year the parade and festival--the largest annual civic event in San Diego--draw an ever-increasing number of San Diegans and visitors to Hillcrest and Balboa Park, with more than 100,000 exuberant spectators lining the parade route; and

WHEREAS, this year San Diego Lesbian and Gay Pride is honoring two-longtime community activists, Eddie "Queen Eddie" Conlan and Barbara Crusberg, as the 2001 Lesbian and Gay Pride Parade Community Grand Marshalls; and

WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered individuals have made valuable contributions in areas that include business and commerce, arts and culture, the military, community volunteerism and leadership, religion, medicine, law, athletics, and education, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered people continue to lead the larger community in addressing and remedying the many problems posed by issues such as the HIV/AIDS pandemic, hate crimes, and discrimination; and

WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered individuals have long championed the rights and freedoms of all people; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, does hereby recognize the many civic contributions of the

lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community in San Diego, and encourages all people to share in the pride of our City's diverse citizenry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the week of July 23 to 29, 2001, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "**LESBIAN AND GAY PRIDE WEEK**" in the City of San Diego.

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