

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 295932

ADOPTED ON JAN 14 2002

WHEREAS, the San Diego Sheriff's Department has been protecting San Diego county for over 150 years; and

WHEREAS, in July of 1981, because of his fondness of Sheriff Memorabilia, then Sheriff John Duffy, assigned the role of Sheriff's Historian to Don Van Hooser who painstakingly started collecting items from the past beginning in the 1970s; and

WHEREAS, Don Van Hooser became the curator of the first Sheriff's Museum which was located at the Sheriff's Station in Santee; and

WHEREAS, because the many artifacts and records pertaining to the department's history were stored in a small room inside the Santee Station where the public had little knowledge of its contents, Sheriff Kolendar appointed Senior Executive Assistant Mary Walsh to form a "Museum Site Committee" and find a more suitable location and, hence, a project was started to create the museum; and

WHEREAS, the Museum Site Committee consequently found the perfect location in the Old Town area of San Diego where it all began in 1850 and began a three year project to renovate and modernize the building to a museum configuration; and

WHEREAS, Council District 2 was proud and honored to contribute \$80,000 towards this very worthwhile and long awaited project to honor the Sheriff's more than 150 years of

public service to the citizens of San Diego; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council hereby proclaims January 14, 2002, as "**Office of the Sheriff Day**" in the City of San Diego.

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