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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 296440 ADOPTED ON MAY 0 6 2002

WHEREAS, water is California's most precious natural resource; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego Water Department has, for more than 100 years, continually delivered safe, healthful drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Water Department continues to upgrade the City's water infrastructure including water mains and water treatment plants to provide citizens with improved services; and

WHEREAS, the drought years of 1987-1993 taught San Diegans the importance of conserving water for the health and welfare of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is a signatory to the 1991 Memorandum of
Understanding Regarding Urban Water Conservation in California, which contains "Best
Management Practices" that are statewide standards for achieving long-term water conservation,
including incentives to facilitate implementation of water conservation programs; and

WHEREAS, residents, businesses and local government have successfully saved 18,452 acre feet in 2001 by participating in water conservation programs; and

WHEREAS, residents, businesses and local government have saved more than 4.5 billion gallons of drinking water since 1995 by using recycled water for non-drinking purposes including irrigation, toilet flushing, cooling towers, dust suppression, and construction in the City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, during the month of May, the Mayor and Council of the City of San Diego urge all San Diegans to continue to save water, our most precious resource; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council hereby proclaims May 2002, to be "WATER AWARENESS MONTH" in San Diego and supports the exemplary efforts of the Water Department.

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