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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 297760

ADOPTED ON MAR 24 2003

WHEREAS, John Kaheny graduated from Mount St. Mary's College in Maryland in 1966; and after college graduation, John Kaheny joined the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, during his illustrious career in the United States Marine Corps, John Kaheny was a Vietnam War hero, and attained the rank of Colonel; and

WHEREAS, following his active duty military service, John Kaheny attended the University of California-Hastings College of Law, graduating with a law degree in 1973; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from law school, John Kaheny joined the Criminal Division of the San Diego City Attorney's Office as a Deputy City Attorney in 1974; and

WHEREAS, during his 22 years of service to the City of San Diego, John Kaheny held a number of positions of responsibility in the San Diego City Attorney's Office, including Head Appellate Deputy in the Criminal Division and Police Legal Advisor in the Civil Division; and

WHEREAS, John Kaheny was promoted to Chief Deputy in 1989, and to Assistant City Attorney in 1991, serving as City Attorney John Witt's right hand until in 1996; and

WHEREAS, John Kaheny continued his service to the country as a United States Marine during his tenure in the City Attorney's Office, taking two military leaves of absence to serve in Kuwait for the Gulf War in 1990 and 1991; and


WHEREAS, John Kaheny resigned after 22 years in the San Diego City Attorney's Office and was appointed City Attorney for the City of Chula Vista in November 1996; and

WHEREAS, in 1999 and 2000, John Kaheny's expertise in the field of municipal, county, and state law was an invaluable resource to the Charter Change Committee, resulting in a comprehensive overview of the City Charter adopted by San Diego in 1931; and

WHEREAS, after serving as Chula Vista City Attorney for six years, John Kaheny is retiring; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, hereby recognizes and commends John Kaheny for his contributions to the City of San Diego during his 22 years of service to its citizens.

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