

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 298164

ADOPTED ON JUL 14 2003

WHEREAS, Ian Campbell was born in Brisbane, Australia, graduated from the University of Sydney, and holds the two designations of Fellow and Certified Professional Manager from the Australian Institute of Management; and

WHEREAS, Ian Campbell began his operatic career in 1967 as a principal character tenor with the Australian Opera, moved into management as Senior Music Officer for the Australia Council from 1974 to 1976, and was General Manager of The State Opera of South Australia from 1976 to 1982; and

WHEREAS, Ian Campbell left Australia to join the Metropolitan Opera in New York in 1982, and then traveled to California to become General Director of San Diego Opera in July 1983; and

WHEREAS, as General Director of San Diego Opera, Ian Campbell is responsible for determining the repertoire, singers, and artistic goals of the organization, and instituted the San Diego Opera Ensemble—a group of young developing singers who perform regularly—and the recital program, which has become one of the most vibrant programs offered by any opera company in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his work with San Diego Opera, Ian Campbell serves as Chairman of the board of Opera America, a member of the Board of Directors of the San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau, and an Advisory Council Member of the San Diego-Tijuana Sister Cities Society; and


WHEREAS, Ian Campbell was the San Diego Press Club Headliner of the Year for the Arts in 1991, and, for 18 years, has produced and hosted programs on San Diego radio, which have been broadcasted nationally and around the world over the Internet; and

WHEREAS, this year colleagues, friends, and supporters are celebrating Ian Campbell's 20 years as General Director of San Diego Opera, where he has used his artistic prowess to transform San Diego Opera into one of the most stable and successful opera companies in the nation; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby recognize Ian Campbell for his remarkable 20-year career as General Director of San Diego Opera and his service to promote music and the arts in San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that July 14, 2003, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "IAN CAMPBELL DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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