

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 298246

ADOPTED ON JUL 28 2003

WHEREAS, Gloria Johnson has been involved in the civil rights and peace movements since the 1960s, and an activist in the feminist movement since the early 1970s, particularly the drive to pass the Equal Rights Amendment; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, Gloria Johnson co-chaired the "No on 6" campaign against the Briggs Initiative that would have prohibited lesbians and gay men from teaching in public schools; and

WHEREAS, in 1980, Gloria was elected as the second president of the San Diego Democratic Club and was an openly lesbian delegate to the Democratic National Convention that year, as well as in 1996 and 2000; and

WHEREAS, Gloria Johnson served as the president of the San Diego Chapter of the National Organization for Women from 1981-1983, and again from 1985-1988, and was the director of the NOW Lesbian Rights Conference in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Gloria Johnson is currently a member of the California NOW political action committee; has served on the National LGBT Stonewall board of directors since 2001; is the vice chair of the San Diego Democratic Party; is an active member of the San Diego Unitarian Universalist Church where she is the co-chair of Rainbow Outreach, the LGBT group at the church; and is a longtime member of Labor Union Local 535; and


WHEREAS, over the years, Gloria Johnson has worked as a volunteer on numerous political campaigns in San Diego County, and after her retirement as a social worker for the County of San Diego AIDS Case Management Program, worked as the office manager for the San Diego Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, in March 2003, Gloria Johnson was inducted into the San Diego County Women's Hall of Fame; 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 Gloria Johnson for her decades of activism in the women's, civil rights, peace, labor, and LGBT movements, and commends her for her volunteer efforts to the Democratic Party, her church, and her community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that July 28, 2003, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "GLORIA JOHNSON DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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