

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 298747

ADOPTED ON JAN 20 2004

WHEREAS, the Museum of Photographic Arts, also known as MoPA, was founded in 1983, and is devoted to collecting, conserving, and exhibiting the entire spectrum of the photographic medium; and

WHEREAS, MoPA recognizes the tradition of photography as a chronicler and critic of events, and as such, endeavors to examine cultural, historical, and social issues through its exhibitions and public programs; and

WHEREAS, MoPA encourages creative activity in the photographic arts, collaborating with artists, schools; and community organizations, and applies its resources toward developing educational programs which stress visual literacy; and

WHEREAS, MoPA seeks to bring outstanding exhibitions to San Diego to inform and inspire the community through a rich cultural experience, and to develop exhibitions for travel, contributing to a national and international level of appreciation and study of photography; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, MoPA proudly reopened its doors after a one-year renovation and expansion, quadrupling its size to a remarkable 31,000 square feet at its state-of-the-art facility which includes a new learning center, a 20,000-volume library, print viewing room, a vast reception and special events area, and a 266-seat cinema, and the facility's five exhibition

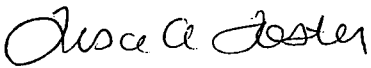
galleries, totaling 4800 square feet, now accommodate MoPA's permanent collection and traveling exhibitions simultaneously; and

WHEREAS, over the last 20 years, MoPA has hosted 162 exhibitions, 16 of which have traveled nationally and internationally, and the museum has published 16 catalogues; 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 the Museum of Photographic Arts for its efforts to advance the appreciation of photographic arts, and heartily congratulates the museum on the occasion of its 20th anniversary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that January 10, 2004, be and is hereby proclaimed to be **"MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS 20TH ANNIVERSARY DAY"** in the City of San Diego.

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