

WHEREAS, the Vietnamese Federation of San Diego represents over 42 Vietnamese-American Associations and more than 33,000 Vietnamese-Americans in San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnamese Federation of San Diego and Vietnamese-Americans have significantly contributed to the historical, cultural, educational, and economic prosperity in the City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnamese Federation of San Diego promotes unity within the Vietnamese-American community, assists new community members with assimilating to a new way of life in America, and preserves Vietnamese history, culture, and tradition for the next generation; and

WHEREAS the flag of the Republic of Vietnam, with three horizontal stripes upon a field of gold dating back to 1948, has been and will be a symbol of resilience, freedom, nationalism and democracy for the Vietnamese Federation of San Diego and the vast majority of Vietnamese-Americans in San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnamese Federation of San Diego and many Vietnamese-Americans who live and work in the City of San Diego desire that the flag with three red stripes upon a field of gold be recognized as the symbolic flag of the Vietnamese-American community in San Diego; 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, on this day of January 13, 2004, recognizes that the flag with three red stripes upon a field of gold serves as the symbolic flag of the San Diego Vietnamese community and the Vietnamese Federation of San Diego.

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