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WHEREAS, in 1979, a steady influx of Taiwanese immigrants came to San Diego to start businesses in a variety of industries; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the need to form an association to benefit the burgeoning Taiwanese business community, Mr. Ken Wang, Mr. Ming-Shian Wu, Mr. Yi-Ping Chen, Mr. Milton Chen, and Mr. Chiu-San Chen laid the ground work on which the Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce of San Diego was founded on January 20, 1984; and

WHEREAS, membership in this organization quickly grew from just over ten people to over two hundred; and

WHEREAS, the Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce of San Diego bridges the high-tech trading gap between San Diego businesses and businesses in Taiwan by organizing delegation tours of business and government officials from both countries; and

WHEREAS, their role has become even more important now that Taiwan is recognized as the fourth-largest trading partner with the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce of San Diego continues to provide much needed advocacy, education, and services to the Taiwanese business community; and

WHEREAS, this year's banquet marks the Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce of San Diego's 20th anniversary; 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, hereby proclaims February 21, 2004, "TAIWANESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF SAN DIEGO DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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