

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299150

ADOPTED ON MAY 04 2004

WHEREAS, San Diego's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) youth community will present its second annual San Diego Youth Pride on Friday and Saturday, April 30th and May 1st, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Youth Pride will kickoff on Friday night with a community "Family Outing" at the LGBT Community Center from 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., featuring intergenerational activities, youth theater pieces, an art exhibit, entertainment, and a special appearance by openly gay actor Wilson Cruz; and

WHEREAS, Youth Pride will continue on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. with a march from the Hillcrest Youth Center at 3777 Fourth Avenue to The Center, followed by the Youth Pride "Super Queer" Festival in The Center's parking lot from noon to 6:00 p.m., which will include vendor booths, carnival attractions, a creative art space, entertainment, and food and refreshments; and

WHEREAS, the mission of San Diego Youth Pride is to allow LGBT youth to proclaim their identities as young lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersexed, queer, or questioning people, to proclaim the space they inhabit without the threat of hate or violence, and to encourage understanding, cooperation, and diversity; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Youth Pride highlights appreciation for the diversity in our languages, cultures, and histories, and strives to build solidarity with the rest of the LGBT community as well as the non-LGBT allies in our schools and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Youth Pride honors with joy the parents, siblings, teachers, and friends who support LGBT youth in becoming who they are meant to be, and who stand up for them when they face adversity; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Youth Pride celebrates the positive changes that have occurred for members of the LGBT community in society, in our cities, schools, churches, and in our homes, and reinforces the hope that these dynamic strides will continue to foster respect and political equality for all people; and

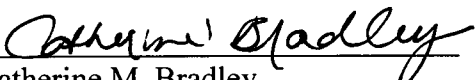
WHEREAS, San Diego Youth Pride presents an opportunity for LGBT youth to shout out with pride in themselves and in their power to educate, offering a commitment and dedication to social change, and an opportunity to groom youth to be leaders and role models in our schools and communities; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Youth Pride is a day to celebrate – to celebrate talent in dance, music, and poetry; to celebrate the diversity of our languages, cultures, and histories; and on this day created for youth by youth, to celebrate the joy and pride in being true to whom they are as individuals, and to both honor the past and look to the future; 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, commends San Diego Youth Pride for their commitment to San Diego's LGBT youth community and congratulates them on their second annual Youth Pride celebration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that May 1, 2004, be and is hereby proclaimed to be  
"SAN DIEGO YOUTH PRIDE DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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