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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299167 ADOPTED ON MAY 0 4 2004

WHEREAS, the San Diego Alliance for Asian Pacific Islander Americans (APIA) will host its 3rd annual Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Festival on May 8 and 9, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Asian Pacific Islander American community accounts for between 263,000 and 319,000 people, which accounts for over 10 percent of San Diego County's population and is the fastest growing ethnic group in the United States; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme for the festival is "Rainbows Across the Pacific" and is a celebration of the APIA community's rich traditions and cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, the event will include an array of international culinary delights, arts and craft booths, and community information tables; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance represents almost 40 different APIA community organizations, and the festival is a reflection of the spirit of diversity among these groups; and

WHEREAS, some of the countries represented in this year's festival include China, Guam, Samoa, India, Japan, Korea, Thailand, Laos, Taiwan, and the Philippines; 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, does hereby commend and thank all the participants of the festival for sharing their rich traditions and cultural diversity with the residents of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the month of May 2004 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH" in the City of San Diego,

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