

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299471

ADOPTED ON JUL 26 2004

WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender San Diegans are commemorating their community's rich history of courage, spirit, achievement, and activism by organizing the 30th annual Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Pride celebration, this year under the banner of "Strength in Numbers"; and

WHEREAS, this year's event, held the weekend of July 30 through August 1, and featuring a rally, parade, and festival, promises to be the biggest and brightest celebration to date, with an estimated attendance of more than 200,000 people at the weekend's activities; and

WHEREAS, each year the rally, parade, and festival—the largest annual civic event in San Diego—draw an ever increasing number of San Diegans and visitors to Hillcrest and Balboa Park, with more than 100,000 exuberant spectators lining the parade route along University and Sixth avenues; and

WHEREAS, this year, San Diego Human Relations Commissioner Nicole Murray Ramirez is being honored as the Grand Marshal; and in honor of their commitment to San Diego's LGBT community, longtime activists Marci Bair and Pat Washington are being honored as the 2004 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Pride's "Champions of Pride"; feminist activist Gracia Molina de Pick and Azalea Park activist Linda Bridges Pennington have been named as San Diego Pride's "Friends of the Year"; *Update* newsmagazine will receive the Stonewall Service Award; and Amanda Nicole Watson and Kevin Tilden will be honored with San Diego Pride Community Service Awards; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of their significant contributions over the past three decades, Pride will present its Lifetime Achievement Award to Dr. Al Best and Eduardo Moncada, and its Pearl of Pride Award to the San Diego LGBT Community Center; and

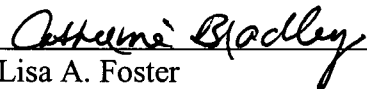
WHEREAS, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals have made valuable contributions in areas that include business and commerce, arts and culture, the military, community volunteerism and leadership, religion, medicine, law, athletics, civil rights, and education, and they continue to lead the larger community in addressing and remedying the many problems posed by issues such as the HIV/AIDS pandemic, hate crimes, and discrimination; 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 many civic contributions of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community in San Diego, and encourages all people to share in the pride of our City's diverse citizenry by participating in the 30th annual San Diego LGBT Pride rally, parade, and festival.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the week of July 26 to August 1, 2004, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "**LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER PRIDE 30th ANNIVERSARY WEEK**" in the City of San Diego.

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