

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299617

ADOPTED ON SEP 13 2004

WHEREAS, the Morse family was one of several hundred City of San Diego families who lost their family's home in the Cedar Fire of October 2003; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the efforts of Melody Morse, with her husband Cal and their children, as they organized the Fire Survivors Support Group for all of the families affected by the Cedar Fire in the community of Tierrasanta; and

WHEREAS, for the last eleven months, Melody has worked tirelessly for hundreds of hours to gather and distribute as many resources as possible for all of the Fire Survivors of Tierrasanta by conducting a weekly "thrift shop" at their Support meetings, where people who lost everything in the fire can go and collect much needed household items free of charge; and

WHEREAS, Melody has gone to great lengths to establish the Tierrasanta Fire Survivors as an arm of the Heartland Foundation, and as a voice in the Countywide effort for rebuilding San Diego through the Wildfire Recovery Project; and


WHEREAS, Melody has also been instrumental in getting resources at the Fire Survivors weekly meetings to help the families deal with the financial and emotional anguish of losing all of one's personal possessions, as well as coordinating assistance and creating a support network for individuals from the Salvation Army, Red Cross, and the Wildfire Recovery Project; and

WHEREAS, Melody Morse is a selfless, devoted volunteer whose mission is to provide long term relief and recovery to residents of the community of Tierrasanta who have suffered

damage as a result of the 2003 Cedar Fires and to provide the resources to the residents in a manner that promotes self-reliance; 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 proclaim September 13, 2004 to be **“MELODY MORSE DAY”** in the City of San Diego.

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