

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299657

ADOPTED ON SEP 20 2004

WHEREAS, Harold Cohen is an internationally known contemporary artist and pioneer in the use of artificial intelligence to create works of art; and

WHEREAS, Harold Cohen has devoted more than thirty years of his life to creating AARON, a breakthrough in the creation of contemporary art and the longest continuously developed computer program in the world; and

WHEREAS, works of art by Harold Cohen are in the permanent collections of important museums, institutions, and corporations worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Harold Cohen, Professor Emeritus in the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) Department of Visual Arts, has influenced generations of students; and

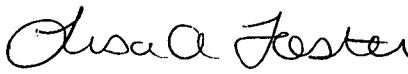
WHEREAS, through his scholarly writing and speaking engagements throughout the world, Harold Cohen continues as an ambassador for San Diego's wealth of intellectual and artistic resources; and

WHEREAS, Harold Cohen's current exhibition of digital prints at the Earl & Birdie Taylor Pacific Beach Branch Library showcases the visually stunning works that can be created through the melding of art and technology; 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 commend and thank Harold Cohen for his dedication, invaluable contributions, and service to the art community and the City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that August 14, 2004, be and is hereby proclaimed to be
"HAROLD COHEN DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: CASEY GWINN, City Attorney

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