

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299782

ADOPTED ON NOV 08 2004

WHEREAS, in 1979, the City Council of the City of San Diego brought together disparate housing programs into one newly formed agency - the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION - in order to promote comprehensive and innovative affordable housing programs; and

WHEREAS, during those 25 years of service, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION has provided quality housing opportunities for over 750,000 San Diegans - helping to revitalize neighborhoods and improve the economy; and

WHEREAS, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION has partnered with private for-profit and nonprofit developers to help create over 23,000 homes, thousands of which have rents affordable to low-income households; and

WHEREAS, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION has helped over 9,000 families rehabilitate their homes, and has assisted more than 4,000 families purchase their first home; and

WHEREAS, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION's approach to developing and managing its nearly 1,800 public housing units has earned critical acclaim and national awards in recognition of the agency's scattered housing site philosophy and dedication to excellence in the design and maintenance of its properties; and

WHEREAS, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION operates and oversees programs that help families achieve self-sufficiency and children do better in school, and seven Learning Opportunity Centers which have set national standards; and

WHEREAS, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION employs nearly 240 talented staff members - many of whom have demonstrated their commitment to its mission by their long-term employment with the agency - including 11 employees who have been with the agency since its inception 25 years ago; and

WHEREAS, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION has invested billions of dollars in the San Diego economy through funding to private sector developers, rent payments to property owners, contracts with social service providers, and through the agency's day-to-day business operations; and

WHEREAS, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION has won dozens of national and regional awards, including recognition for initiation of far-reaching, synergistic collaborative programs; for mixed income development initiatives; for rental assistance program efficiency; for supportive housing for special needs populations; for public-private partnerships; and for community outreach; and

WHEREAS, the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION has benefited from the extensive experience provided by dozens of volunteer board members over the past 25 years;
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 recognize the 25th anniversary of the SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION and commends them for their outstanding leadership and invaluable contributions to the City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that November 8, 2004, be and is hereby proclaimed to be, "SAN DIEGO HOUSING COMMISSION 25th ANNIVERSARY DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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