RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 300258 ADOPTED ON APR 0 4 2005

WHEREAS, John Kern has been an expert in the fields of government, politics, and communications for more than thirty years; and

WHEREAS, John Kern is an award winning reporter that covered government and politics as a reporter in both New York and California in the 1970's, and his articles on politics have appeared in the California Journal, Sacramento Bee, Campaign Industry News, and the San Diego Union; and

WHEREAS, in 1977, John Kern accepted the post of Press Secretary to California

Assembly Minority Leader Paul Priolo; and in 1979, John Kern returned to San Diego politics to became the Chief of Staff to former Councilmember Larry Sterling and later to the former Councilmembers Dick Murphy and Judy McCarty; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, John Kern left Judy McCarty's staff to run her re-election campaign and consequently started his own political consulting firm, Anderson and Kern, later known as the Kern Company; and

WHEREAS, as a consultant from 1989 to 2000, John Kern received awards from the American Association of Political Consultants and has worked on more than fifty successful campaigns including Clint Eastwood for Mayor in Carmel, Judy McCarty for City Council, and Dick Murphy for Mayor; and

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2000, Mayor Dick Murphy appointed John Kern, his longtime friend of twenty-five years, as his Chief of Staff; and for the past four years, John Kern has been responsible for the coordination of all staff functions and assists the Mayor with the development of programs and policies; 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 John Kern for his many years of service to the City of San Diego and his lifetime achievement in government, politics, and communication.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that April 4, 2005, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "JOHN KERN DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By

Catherine M. Bradley Deputy City Attorney

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