WHEREAS, water is California's most precious natural resource; and
WHEREAS, the health of San Diego's growing population and the welfare of our
communities depend on reliable and high quality drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Water Department has for more than 100 years continually delivered safe and healthy drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Water Department continues to upgrade its infrastructure to provide citizens with improved services; and

WHEREAS, the drought years of 1987-1993 taught San Diegans the importance of conserving water for the health and welfare of the City; and

WHEREAS, San Diegans citywide have successfully saved 7.6 billion gallons of drinking water in 2005 by participating in water conversation programs; and

WHEREAS, residential home owner associations, schools, businesses, and City government helped to conserve more than 7.5 billion gallons of drinking water since 1997, by using recycled water for irrigation, commercial, and industrial processes; and

WHEREAS, during the month of May, the Mayor and City Council urge all San Diegans to continue to be "water aware" and to recognize that water is our most precious natural resource; 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 support the exemplary efforts of the Water Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the month of May be and is hereby proclaimed to be
"WATER AWARENESS MONTH" in the City of San Diego

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