



RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 300986 ADOPTED ON 0CT 3 1 2005

WHEREAS, adequate housing is an essential component in ensuring healthy families and communities; and

WHEREAS, the combination of rising housing costs and a shortage of rental and single family housing has led to housing becoming increasingly inaccessible; and

WHEREAS, in the last year, the City of San Diego has provided on each night of operation 405 beds to homeless men, women, and children who sought help through the Winter Shelter Program as well as 150 families with children through its Cortez Family Shelter; and

WHEREAS, this year the City of San Diego allocated \$2 million in funding for direct services to seven programs to improve conditions for many of San Diego's homeless or those atrisk of homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego has received "Best Practices" awards for its Serial Inebriate Program, the Homeless Outreach Team Program, and the REACH Program for mentally ill and substance dependent homeless adults; and

WHEREAS, homelessness is a serious social issue and requires the combined will and resources of City, County, State, and Federal governments as well as the many regional stakeholders in order to appropriate the necessary housing and services to those in need; 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 commend all of those involved in the care and shelter of the homeless.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that November 1, 2005, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "HOMELESS PERSONS MEMORIAL DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By Approx

Deputy City Attorney

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