

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 301062

ADOPTED ON NOV 21 2005

WHEREAS, Robert F. Kennedy (RFK) was born in Boston, Massachusetts, on November 20, 1925, and was one of nine children of Ambassador Joseph P. and Rose Kennedy; and

WHEREAS, he served in the U.S. Naval Reserve from 1944-1946, and graduated from Harvard University in 1948 and the University of Virginia Law School in 1951; and

WHEREAS, Robert F. Kennedy was campaign manager for his brother, John F. Kennedy, in his successful elections to the U.S. Senate in 1952 and the U.S. Presidency in 1960; and

WHEREAS, he was a close confidant and political advisor to the President and served as his United States Attorney General; and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 1964, Robert F. Kennedy was elected to the U.S. Senate from the State of New York and in early 1968 declared his candidacy for President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, during a spirited campaign against Senators Hubert Humphrey and Eugene McCarthy for the democratic nomination, RFK barnstormed across the nation calling for peace abroad and social justice at home; and

WHEREAS, on April 4, 1968, at a campaign stop in Indianapolis, Indiana, he appealed for calm and asked for prayer after it was announced that Martin Luther King, Jr., had been assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, on the night of June 5, 1968, as a horrified nation watched, Robert F. Kennedy was assassinated in Los Angeles, California, after winning the California primary; and

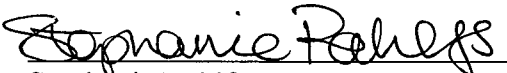
WHEREAS, friends, family, and supporters still remember Robert F. Kennedy for his life of public service and his legacy of searching for a more just world; and

WHEREAS, Robert F. Kennedy's legacy is still relevant to the lives of all Americans and peoples of the world; and

WHEREAS, many of us are still moved by the inspiration and hope contained in a quote memorialized by him--"Some people see things as they are and say why. I dream things that never were and say why not?" 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 proclaim Sunday, November 20, 2005, as "RFK DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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