RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 301066 ADOPTED ON NOV 2 8 2005

WHEREAS, LARRY GARDNER started with the City of San Diego in September 1985 as a Grounds Maintenance Worker in the Park and Recreation Department and became a Personnel Analyst in April 1986; and

WHEREAS, LARRY GARDNER served as Labor Relations Manager from April 1991 to August 1994, at which time he was appointed Deputy Director of the Water Department's Water Operations Division; and

WHEREAS, LARRY GARDNER became Water Department Director in June 1998 and was asked to serve as General Services Director in June 2004; and

WHEREAS, LARRY GARDNER was President of the California Municipal Utilities
Association from 2003 to 2005; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, the National Management Association awarded LARRY GARDNER the Gold Knight of Management Award; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, the City of San Diego awarded LARRY GARDNER the Diversity Distinction Award; and

WHEREAS, LARRY GARDNER is a graduate of Southern Illinois University and a veteran of the United States Army with service in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished career with the City of San Diego,

LARRY GARDNER has been a friend and mentor to numerous fellow employees; and

WHEREAS, LARRY GARDNER, a devoted brother, uncle, and family man, is the caring husband of Beverly Gardner, loving father of three, stepfather of three, and grandfather of seven, as well as being dedicated to his entire extended family; 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 outstanding contributions of LARRY GARDNER and applaud his dedication and service upon his retirement from a long and distinguished career with the City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that November 28, 2005, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "LARRY GARDNER DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By

Stephanie Rahlfs

Deputy City Attorney

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11/17/2005

Or.Dept:Deputy Mayor Atkins & Council-Madaffer

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