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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 301246

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WHEREAS, the House of Puerto Rico will celebrate and dedicate the House of Puerto Rico San Diego Cottage and Museum at a grand opening celebration and ribbon cutting on Saturday, February 4, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the House of Puerto Rico cottage will join nearly 20 other international cottages in the House of Pacific Relations cottages in beautiful Balboa Park and is dedicated to cooperation between national groups that represent countries from throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the House of Puerto Rico has endeavored over the last seven years to raise funds to build a 1,000 square foot "casita" and Cottage Museum in Balboa Park with many of these donations raised through fundraising events, individuals, and families when the City of San Diego approved the House of Puerto Rico's request to build a new cottage; and

WHEREAS, the House of Puerto Rico has constructed a cottage that will permanently display the art, culture, history, and contributions of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and Puerto Ricans who live in the United States; and the cottage will host rotating exhibits throughout the year, monthly meetings, and other cultural activities for the San Diego community and its visitors; and

WHEREAS, the House of Puerto Rico was founded in 1972 as a non-profit organization in Balboa Park, has a membership of over 200 members, and will continue to organize many cultural events and festivals such as El Dia de Reyes and the annual Lawn Program and Family Picnic to showcase their rich cultural heritage, 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 accomplishments of the House of Puerto Rico and commends the organization for its efforts to educate and inform the citizens and visitors of the City of San Diego

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that February 4, 2006, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "HOUSE OF PUERTO RICO DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By Stephanie Rahlfs
Stephanie Rahlfs
Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at its meeting of FEB 21 2006.

ELIZABETH S MALAND
City Clerk

By Maureen E. Ketchum
Deputy City Clerk

Approved. 3-1-06
(date)

JSL
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor