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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 301801

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WHEREAS, the City of San Diego currently places a high priority on maintaining public safety through a highly skilled and trained law enforcement as well as laws that deter and punish criminal behavior; and

WHEREAS, the universal use of the Internet has also ushered in an era of increased risk to our children by predators using this technology as a tool to lure children away from their homes and into dangerous situations, and to reflect society's disapproval of this type of activity, adequate penalties must be enacted to ensure predators cannot escape prosecution; and

WHEREAS, California must also take additional steps to monitor sex offenders, to protect the public from them, and to provide adequate penalties for and safeguard against sex offenders, particularly those who prey on children; and existing laws that punish aggravated sexual assault, habitual sexual offenders, and child molesters must be strengthened and improved and existing laws that provide for the commitment and control of sexually violent predators must be strengthened and improved; and

WHEREAS, additional resources are necessary to adequately monitor and supervise sexual predators and offenders, and it is vital that the lasting effects of the assault do not further victimize victims of sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, Global Positioning System technology is a useful tool for monitoring sexual predators and other sex offenders and is a cost effective measure for parole supervision; and it is critical to have close supervision of this class of criminals to monitor these offenders and prevent them from committing other crimes; and

WHEREAS, the period immediately following incarceration is critical to successful

reintegration of the offender into society and to positive citizenship. It is in the interest of public

safety for the state to provide for the supervision of and surveillance of parolees, including the

judicious use of revocation actions, and to provide educational, vocational, family, and personal

counseling necessary to assist parolees in the transition between imprisonment and discharge;

and

WHEREAS, California is the only state, of the number of states that have enacted laws

allowing involuntary civil commitments for persons identified as sexually violent predators,

which does not provide for indeterminate commitments, and California automatically allows for

a jury trial every two years irrespective of whether there is any evidence to suggest or prove that

the committed person is no longer a sexually violent predator, and as such, this act allows

California to protect the civil rights of those persons committed as a sexually violent predator

while at the same time protect society and the system from unnecessary or frivolous jury trial

actions where there is no competent evidence to suggest a change in the committed person;

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 Sexual Predator Punishment and

Control Act of 2006, known as "Jessica's Law."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no public funds shall be used in the campaign for

Proposition 83.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By

Chief 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 this meeting of AUG 0 1 2006

	ELIZABETH S. MALAND City Clerk By June Deputy City Clerk
Approved: (date)	JERRY SANDERS, Mayor
Vetoed:(date)	JERRY SANDERS, Mayor