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WHEREAS, the white cane serves not only as a traveling tool and mobility aide for visually impaired citizens, but also as a powerful symbol of independence for the blind; and

WHEREAS, the white cane originated in Europe in 1921 when a blind man by the name of James Biggs painted his walking stick white in order to make himself more visible to motorists; and

WHEREAS, the concept of the white cane was introduced to the United States in 1930 by the Lion's Club when they began a national program which promoted the use of white canes for persons who are blind; and

WHEREAS, in 1964, the President of the United States proclaimed October 15 of every year to be "White Cane Safety Day" in order to honor the achievements of the blind and to recognize its significance in advancing independence; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Police Department has been instrumental in publicizing the White Cane Law, which grants protections and the right of way to blind individuals who carry a white cane or use the assistance of a guide dog; and

WHEREAS, this law has promoted courtesy and opportunity for mobility of the blind as well as provided safety for both pedestrians and motorists; 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 proclaim October 17, 2006 to be "WHITE CANE SAFETY DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By Catherine M. Bradley
Catherine M. Bradley
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 OCT. 17 2006

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By [Signature]
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 10-24-06
(date)

[Signature]
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

OCT 17 2006

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on _____, by the following vote:

Council Members	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Ineligible
Scott Peters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kevin Faulconer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Toni Atkins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anthony Young	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brian Maienschein	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Donna Frye	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jim Madaffer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ben Hueso	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

OCT 24 2006

Date of final passage _____

AUTHENTICATED BY:

JERRY SANDERS
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

(Seal)

By Mary Cepeda, Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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