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WHEREAS, 1,006,970 women and 370,990 men are stalked annually in the United States; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 12 women and 1 in 45 men will be stalked in their lifetimes, and the majority of victims are stalked by someone they know; and

WHEREAS, 76 percent of women killed by an intimate partner had been stalked by that intimate partner; and

WHEREAS, 81 percent of women stalked by a current or former intimate partner are also physically assaulted by that partner; and

WHEREAS, stalking victims experience anxiety, insomnia, social dysfunction, lost work hours and productivity, and severe depression at a much higher rate than the general population; and

WHEREAS, stalking victims are forced to take drastic measures to protect themselves, such as relocating, changing their address, changing their identities, changing jobs, and obtaining protection orders; and

WHEREAS, stalking is a crime in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and under the laws of the federal government; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to enhance the criminal justice system's response to stalking and stalking victims, including aggressive investigation and prosecution; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is joining forces with national organizations, victim service providers, criminal justice officials, and concerned citizens throughout the State of California and the United States to observe Stalking Awareness Month; 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, applauds the efforts of the many victim service providers, police officers, prosecutors, national and community organizations, and private sector supporters for their efforts in promoting awareness about stalking.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the month of January 2007 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "STALKING AWARENESS MONTH" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By 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 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

ELIZABETH S.-MAI

City Clerk

Approved: 2.14.07
(date)

By Deputy City Flerk

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

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