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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 302518

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE APR 19 2007

WHEREAS, the Lupus Foundation of Southern California is an outstanding nonprofit health agency that serves San Diego and Imperial Counties; and whose mission is to assist lupus patients and their families, to engage in programs aimed toward public awareness of lupus, and to obtain funds for lupus research; and

WHEREAS, lupus is a chronic, auto-immune disease that causes inflammation of various parts of the body, particularly the skin, joints, blood and kidneys; and for some people lupus is a disease affecting only a few organs while for others it may cause serious and even life-threatening problems; and

WHEREAS, more than 16,000 Americans develop lupus each year and it is estimated that between 1.5- 2 million Americans have been diagnosed with lupus, and unfortunately, thousands of people who suffer from lupus are unaware that they have the disease; and

WHEREAS, despite the large number of Americans being afflicted, few people understand the dangers of this confusing and incurable disease because symptoms of lupus are similar to other common illnesses and if left undetected or untreated, lupus can cause serious health problems, even death, although the majority of cases can be controlled with proper treatment; and

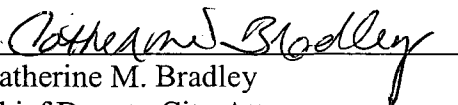
WHEREAS, although lupus is not infectious, rare, or cancerous, more people have lupus than AIDS, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, sickle-cell anemia, and cystic fibrosis combined; and

WHEREAS, to raise awareness and funds, "Lupus Alert Day" aims to inform and educate the public about the importance of early lupus detection and treatment; and the City of San Diego is pleased to join in recognizing this day and encourages all City residents to learn about the warning signs of lupus; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is committed to recognizing and honoring the many organizations that are dedicated to the best ideals of public service, and the Lupus Foundation of Southern California is one such caring and worthy organization; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim April 1, 2007, to be "**LUPUS ALERT DAY**" in the City of San Diego, and does hereby commend the Lupus Foundation of Southern California for its continued commitment to educate and support those residents living with lupus in San Diego and Imperial Counties.

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 APR 10 2007.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By Jenna Richardson
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 4-19-07
(date)

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JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor