

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 302798DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUL 16 2007

WHEREAS, Señora Diana Montoya began her career at the San Diego Museum of Man 40 years ago when she was first hired by Director Clack Evernham as a part of the exhibit *Viva Mexico!*, which was designed to change the way visitors related to Museum exhibits; and

WHEREAS, Señora Diana Montoya, dressed in colorful Mexican attire, delighted visitors with freshly made tortillas cooked over a charcoal fire; and

WHEREAS, along with making the tortillas for guests to enjoy, Señora Diana Montoya also demonstrated cooking techniques for visitors; and

WHEREAS, in 1970 Señora Diana Montoya was featured in a comprehensive food exhibition called *The Way to a Man's Heart*, which included displays of a beautifully decorated, three tiered wedding cake and walls of bread from around the world; and

WHEREAS, Señora Diana Montoya became increasingly popular throughout the 1970s, making over 60,000 tortillas a year by 1973 in her little kitchen on the main floor of the museum; and

WHEREAS, one highlight of her career was a guest appearance on the Mike Douglas Show, a nationally broadcast television program that featured Señora Diana Montoya with all of her tortilla making equipment; and

WHEREAS, Señora Diana Montoya always enjoyed practicing her craft for the school groups that would form long lines outside the kitchen; and

WHEREAS, because of her long career, many San Diego adults, who now take their own children to the museum, remember receiving a tortilla from Señora Diana Montoya's stand when they were children; and

WHEREAS, over a million visitors to the museum have been able to enjoy Señora Diana Montoya's wonderful tortilla kitchen and many would come to order dozens of tortillas to take back home for special dinners; and

WHEREAS, Señora Diana Montoya has succeeded in garnering more attention and recognition than any other Museum staff member; 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 commend Señora Diana Montoya for her 40 years of service to the San Diego community from behind the counter of her tortilla kitchen at the San Diego Museum of Man.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that July 10, 2007, be and is hereby proclaimed to be, "SEÑORA DIANA MONTOYA DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By Catherine M. Bradley
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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 ~~JUL 10 2007~~.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 7.16.07
(date)


JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor