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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 302814  
DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUL 16 2007

WHEREAS, Araceli “Cheli” Mohamed will be honored by the San Diego Gay and Lesbian Center with their “Woman of the Year” Award, naming her the woman who has made the most significant contribution to the advancement of women in 2007 and recognizing her exceptional efforts and activism throughout San Diego’s Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender [LGBT] community; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, June 16, the San Diego Gay and Lesbian Center recognizes local women who have had a positive impact on San Diego’s LGBT community, and benefits the Women’s Resource Center; the Women's Resource Center creates social, cultural, and educational opportunities for lesbian, bisexual, and transgender women in a safe, affirming environment; and

WHEREAS, Cheli Mohamed was born on September 21, 1967 in Mexicali, Mexico and moved to San Diego in 1985 to attend the University of California, at San Diego, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Latina American Literature; and

WHEREAS, Cheli Mohamed serves as the City of San Diego’s Third Council District’s Office Manager and Executive Assistant to both Councilmember Toni Atkins and Chief of Staff Denise Price; previously the Council Representative for City Heights and Normal Heights; and

WHEREAS, Cheli Mohamed has spent over ten years in non-profit social services and her professional background includes program development, volunteer management, crisis intervention, HIV/AIDS prevention and education, fund-raising and coordinating special events; and

WHEREAS, Cheli Mohamed received the "Volunteer Leadership" Award from the San Diego Police Athletic Federation, in 2006, the "Community Service" Award from San Diego Lesbian and Gay Pride, in 2000, the Gay and Lesbian Latinos' "Con Orgullo" Award for Latino Leadership, in 1999, and the Chancellor's "Leadership Transcript," from 1989 through 1993; and

WHEREAS, Cheli Mohamed served as the Coordinator of the Volunteer Committee for the San Diego Invitational Bowling Tournament, a volunteer for the Immigration & Customs Enforcement Inaugural Women's Pistol Invitational, Coordinator of the Volunteer Committee to the San Diego Police Departments' Baker to Vegas Relay Challenge Cup, Men's 800 Team, Coordinator of the Volunteer Committee to the Western States' Police and Fire Games 2006, Coordinator of Volunteer Central for San Diego LGBT Pride, Coordinator of the Information Booth for San Diego LGBT Pride, Chair of the Volunteer Committee for the International Network of Lesbian and Gay Official Conference, Newsletter Editor for *Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays* – San Diego Chapter, Co-Chair of the Committee Organizing San Diego and Tijuana Alliance (COSTA), Social Columnist for the *Gay & Lesbian Times*, Board Member of the Diversionary Theater, Chair of the Volunteer Committee to the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force Creating Change Conference and Volunteer Supervisor for San Diego LGBT Pride; and

WHEREAS, Cheli Mohamed, her partner, Nancy Emmi, and their daughter, Brianna Nicole Mohamed Emmi, live in North Park with their pug, Claudia; and

WHEREAS, all of Cheli Mohamed's Council staff peers depend on her daily and are so lucky to have her as our teammate, confidante, advisor and most importantly, friend; we are honored to share her success with her this evening; NOW, THEREFORE,

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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 Araceli "Cheli" Mohamed for her passionate commitment to the advancement of women throughout San Diego's LGBT community and congratulates her for being this year's recipient of the San Diego Gay and Lesbian Center's "Woman of the Year" Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that June 16, 2007, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "ARACELI 'CHELI' MOHAMED 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 JUL 10 2007.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk

By [Signature]  
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 7.16.07  
(date)

[Signature]  
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

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JERRY SANDERS, Mayor