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WHEREAS, the San Diego Coalition for Reproductive Choice was founded in 1985 by San Diego pro-choice organizations for the purpose of creating a strong public voice for reproductive rights and freedom in San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the San Diego Coalition for Reproductive Choice include supporting the right to make personal decisions related to reproductive choice; preserving the constitutional right to privacy related to personal medical choices; and keeping reproductive health services safe, legal, and accessible; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Coalition for Reproductive Choice educates the public about reproductive health issues, sponsors events to promote public awareness of reproductive freedom issues, and raises money for the Make-A-Difference Fund to help cover the cost of reproductive health services for women throughout the country who are unable to pay for such services themselves; and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2008, the San Diego Coalition for Reproductive Choice will recognize the thirty-fifth anniversary of the United States Supreme Court landmark decision of Roe v. Wade, which established that the constitutional right of privacy protects a woman's right to choose and made reproductive health services safer and more accessible to women throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Coalition for Reproductive Choice will celebrate this milestone at a gala dinner, to be held at the Handlery Hotel and Resort on Tuesday, January 22,

2008, at which time they will honor pro-choice volunteer and activist Betty Mason with a Defender of Choice award; 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 recognize The San Diego Coalition for Reproductive Choice and commends it for its work to support, protect and educate the public about reproductive freedom.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that January 22, 2008, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "COALITION FOR REPRODUCTIVE CHOICE DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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