

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 303481

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAR 14 2008

WHEREAS, Black History Month was established in 1976 by The Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History. The month-long celebration was an expansion of Negro History Week, which was established in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, director of what was then known as the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month not only highlights the impact of African-Americans on society. It also helps people remember the danger of racial and socio-economic oppression which affect more than just Blacks. This month helps everyone see the importance of human rights for all people and is the reason why it should always be celebrated; and

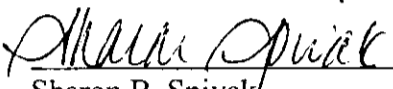
WHEREAS, during Black History Month many national, regional and local African-Americans are celebrated for their positive contributions to our country and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Leon L. Williams was the first African-American to be elected to the San Diego City Council and the San Diego County Board of Supervisors and has contributed so much toward improving the quality of life of residents throughout San Diego and California; and

WHEREAS, Leon L Williams has served as a driving force behind downtown and community economic development by helping create SEDC and CCDC, County boards and commissions to address health and social service issues, and has made outstanding contributions to the public transportation industry. He has been a committed and inspirational advocate for public transportation in San Diego; 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 proclaim the month of February 2008 as "BLACK HISTORY MONTH" in the City of San Diego and commend and thank all African-Americans who have contributed to the rich and prosperous history of our nation.


APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By   
Sharon B. Spivak  
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 MAR 11 2008.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk

By   
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 3.14.08  
(date)

  
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

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

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JERRY SANDERS, Mayor