

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 303586

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE APR 23 2008

WHEREAS, lupus is a chronic auto-immune disease that causes inflammation of various parts of the body, especially the skin, joints, blood and kidneys; and

WHEREAS, lupus causes the immune system to lose its ability to tell the difference between foreign substances and its own cells and tissues. The immune system then makes antibodies directed against "itself"; and

WHEREAS, lupus research data shows that about 1.5 million to 2 million people have been diagnosed with lupus. Lupus affects 1 out of every 185 Americans and strikes adult women 10 to 15 times more frequently than adult men; and

WHEREAS, although lupus is not infectious or cancerous, more people have lupus than AIDS, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, sickle-cell anemia, and cystic fibrosis combined. Even more shocking is the fact that thousands of people who suffer from lupus don't even know they have it; and

WHEREAS, although lupus ranges from mild to life-threatening, and thousands of Americans die with lupus each year, the majority of cases can be controlled with proper treatment; and

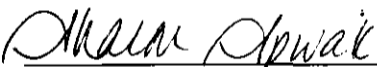
WHEREAS, the Lupus Foundation of Southern California is a 501(c)(3) non-profit health agency serving San Diego and Imperial Counties. The Lupus Foundation of Southern California is a member of the Combined Health Agencies [CHA] and participates in the United Way/CHAD Campaign and the Combined Federal Campaign; and

WHEREAS, the Lupus Foundation of Southern California provides and participates in many activities such as self-help oriented support groups, peer-patient counseling, a speaker's bureau, and participates in community health fairs throughout San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego recognizes and honors the many organizations that dedicate themselves to providing exceptional public service, and the Lupus Foundation of Southern California is one such caring and worthy organization; 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 April 1, 2008, 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

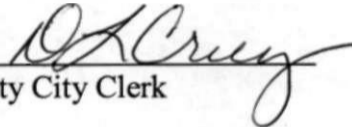
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of APR 15 2008.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND  
City Clerk

By   
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 4-13-08  
(date)

  
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

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

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