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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 303715

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAY 27 2008

WHEREAS, Wildfires know no boundaries and every citizen in San Diego and the surrounding rural areas were impacted in some way by the firestorms of 2007; and

WHEREAS, when firestorms occur in San Diego, there are multiple fires burning throughout the southern California region, if not the entire state, stretching the state's well developed mutual aid system to the limit; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego region needs to begin today to prepare for the next catastrophic wildfire event; and

WHEREAS, the City and its residents need to do everything possible to reduce the potential threat, including better prepare homes to be as fire safe as possible, securing sufficient ground and aerial resources to respond strategically, and effective planning to combat large wildfires in the absence of mutual aid assistance; and

WHEREAS, following the devastating wildfires in 2007, 165 individuals and companies made donations to the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department to help fund public safety resources; and

WHEREAS, to date, \$247,740.02 has been donated, and through that monetary commitment of the community, San Diego will be better prepared for emergencies in the future, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to accept, expend and appropriate the amount not to exceed \$247,740.02

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in donations into Fund No. 10365 – Public/Private Partnership to be used by the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department to help fund public safety resources.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By *William J. Gersten*
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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 MAY 20 2008.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By *Elizabeth S. Maland*
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 5.27.08
(date)

Jerry Sanders
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor