

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 303821

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUN 13 2008

WHEREAS, in 1982, when music videos were becoming mainstream, Larry Gillis had the idea to create the first gay video bar in San Diego; and

WHEREAS, first opened in 1983, Flicks was half the size it is now and only had two large screens which showed music videos, movie clips, comedy skits, and television shows; and

WHEREAS, Flicks was an instant hit and since has earned a reputation for being a major staple in the gay community; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, Larry Gillis expanded the bar by doubling its size and offered a side bar and a pool table; and

WHEREAS, Larry Gillis was heavily involved with the gay community during the height of the AIDS crisis, offering many contributions to different AIDS organizations; unfortunately, it was AIDS that he fell victim to in 1993, leaving his Flicks legacy to continue in new hands; and

WHEREAS, longtime bartenders Nigel Mayer and Joseph Letzkus purchased Flicks and have continued Flicks' involvement within the gay community; Nigel Mayer is co-founder of Ordinary Miracles and was involved with Special Delivery and Joseph Letzkus is a member with the Imperial Court de San Diego; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, Flicks underwent some major remodeling to help it compete with newly emerging video bars within the community and through the times Flicks has maintained a loyal clientele; and

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WHEREAS, in November of 2006, Nigel Mayer purchased the second half of Flicks from longtime business partner Joe Letzkus; and


WHEREAS, Flicks' goal is to ensure that everybody feels welcome and has an enjoyable evening; 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 congratulate Flicks for its success over the past 25 years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that May 30, 2008 be and is hereby proclaimed to be, "FLICKS DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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 JUN 10 2008.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 6/13/08
(date)


JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

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