

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304032

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE SEP 11 2008

WHEREAS, urban sprawl, drought, wildfires, invasive species, and pollution have fragmented natural landscapes and isolated wildlife populations; and

WHEREAS, rising temperatures and other climate changes caused by society's increasing carbon footprint are causing many species to move their ranges and distribution to the north or to higher altitudes; and

WHEREAS, Americans are increasingly suffering from illnesses and stressors such as obesity, diabetes and heart disease caused by fast-paced, indoor urban lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, Americans are increasingly disconnected from nature and outdoor experiences; and

WHEREAS, "flyways" represent large corridors of connected areas of habitat on which both migratory and resident species of plants and animals depend; and

WHEREAS, protecting and restoring connected areas of habitat for migratory and resident species of native wildlife and plants will improve the health of our terrestrial, aquatic, and human communities; and

WHEREAS, the Flyway Cities Coalition will bring together diverse groups of people and organizations interested in working together towards the common goals of improving the health of human and natural communities and taking action to achieve them; and

WHEREAS, the Flyway Cities Coalition will serve as an organizing group working together with partner organizations to develop a strategic plan for building connected landscapes

through regional planning, public and private land habitat conservation and restoration projects, education and outreach, community planning, policy work and funding efforts; and


WHEREAS, San Diego is one of the fastest growing population centers in the United States; and

WHEREAS, San Diego hosts a diverse array of local and regional environmental groups interested in protecting wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, San Diego marks the southernmost point in the United States for the Pacific Flyway, a migration corridor for many species of birds and invertebrates and home to hundreds of resident species of plants and animals and unique ecosystems; 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 September 2, 2008, to be **“FLYWAY CITIES COALITION DAY”** in the City of San Diego, and hereby endorses the collaborative efforts of the Flyway Cities Coalition to forge multiple stakeholder partnerships to protect and restore wildlife habitat and to raise public awareness about these issues.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By 
Catherine M. Bradley
Chief 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 SEP - 2 2008.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 9-11-08
(date)


JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor