

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304258

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE OCT 27 2008

WHEREAS, San Diego residents have experienced the destructive effects of natural disasters ranging from severe winter storms, major earthquakes, and devastating wildfires, resulting in the loss of millions of dollars; and

WHEREAS, the aftermath of the October 2007 wildfires demonstrated San Diego's ongoing need for careful and thorough emergency planning and preparedness by individuals, communities, and local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the loss of life and damage to property can be greatly reduced if appropriate emergency preparedness measures are taken before, during and after a major emergency; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Community Emergency Response Team has joined the Department of Homeland Security's Ready Campaign in advising, informing, and educating individuals about disaster preparedness; and

WHEREAS, the National Ready Campaign strives to educate and empower Americans to prepare for and respond to emergencies including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks and to increase the level of basic preparedness across the nation; and

WHEREAS, the National Ready Campaign is working with other federal, state, and local government organizations, as well as private agencies, to prevent, respond to, and recover from all types of emergencies; and

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month gives us the opportunity to raise awareness about the importance of emergency preparedness and encourages all Americans to better prepare their homes and communities for emergencies; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, hereby proclaims September 2008 as "NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH" in the City of San Diego and encourages all residents to increase their knowledge and awareness of proper safety measures to follow during any emergency or disaster to better protect themselves, their families, and neighbors.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

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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 OCT 14 2008

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By Elizabeth S. Maland
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 10-27-08
(date)

Jerry Sanders
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

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