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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304234

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WHEREAS, there are 295 miles of bikeways in the City of San Diego, including 52 miles of bike paths and 243 miles of on-street bike lanes; and

WHEREAS, nearly half of all trips for personal transportation in the United States are three miles or less in length; and

WHEREAS, bicyclists and pedestrians represent 9 percent of all personal trips nationwide and 14 percent of all traffic fatalities in the United States, yet receive less than 1 percent of all federal roads spending; and

WHEREAS, the above disparity indicates an opportunity to produce a substantial shift to these healthy, non-motorized transportation modes; and

WHEREAS, federal legislation, SAFETEA-LU, created the Non-Motorized Transportation Pilot Program for the construction of a network of non-motorized transportation infrastructure facilities in urban communities to demonstrate the extent to which bicycling and walking can carry a significant part of the transportation load and play a major role in transportation solutions; and

WHEREAS, a national non-profit multi-modal transportation advocacy organization, the Rails-To-Trails Conservancy, seeks to expand this program in the next federal transportation reauthorization to include at least 40 communities with \$50 million per community over six years to promote "active transportation" (trails, biking and walking) for mobility; and

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WHEREAS, the Bayshore Bikeway, Coastal Rail Trail and San Diego River Bikeway all

have portions of their paths completed but additional funding is needed to finish these important

biking projects; and

WHEREAS, Rails-To-Trails Conservancy has identified the San Diego County area as a

potential candidate for the expanded program, called the 2010 Campaign for Active

Transportation; 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, does hereby support and endorse the City of San Diego's

participation in the 2010 Campaign for Active Transportation, which has a goal of doubling

federal funding for trails, walking and biking in the next federal transportation reauthorization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that October 20, 2008 is hereby proclaimed to be

"RAILS-TO-TRAILS CONSERVANCY DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

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Sharon B. Spivak /

Deputy City Attorney

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Or.Dept:Council-Peters

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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		
Approved: /0 - 27. or (date)		ELIZABETH S. MALAND City Clerk By Clerk Deputy City Clerk JERRY SANDERS, Mayor
Vetoed:(date)		JERRY SANDERS, Mayor