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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304420
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WHEREAS, on an August afternoon in 2008 while serving the City of San Diego Water Department, Darnell Arnold suffered a severe asthma attack; and

WHEREAS, while Darnell Arnold lay unconscious on the ground, fellow Water Department employees Michael Smith, David Koonce and Chris Mondestin sprang into action and coordinated rescue efforts to save Darnell Arnold's life; and

WHEREAS, after just completing a City First Aid program, Michael Smith performed CPR while David Koonce placed a 911 call to alert dispatchers and Chris Mondestin directed paramedics to Darnell Arnold's location; and

WHEREAS, were it not for the commitment of these three dedicated City employees who took the time to participate in the First Aid, CPR and AED courses to be better prepared for emergency situations, the outcome of Darnell Arnold's asthma attack could have been much different; and

WHEREAS, the fine example set by Michael Smith, David Koonce, and Chris Mondestin underscores the necessity of citizens across the City to commit to learning first aid and being ready to come to the aid of others; 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 commend Michael Smith, David Koonce, and Chris Mondestin for their selfless and heroic efforts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizen's of San Diego, hereby proclaims October 16, 2008, as "WATER DEPARTMENT HEROES DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By Pat Zaharopoulos
Pat Zaharopoulos
Deputy City Attorney

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Or.Dept:Council President-Scott 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 NOV 18 2008.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By [Signature]
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 11-24-08
(date)

[Signature]
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

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