

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304574

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JAN 23 2009

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital's Emergency Department has performed beyond the highest standards of excellence, serving patients and the community with the utmost in care, personal compassion, and medical expertise; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital serves the residents of San Diego by providing the most advanced clinical care in its Heart and Stroke programs; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital is the recipient of the American College of Surgeons' Commendation as a Certified Community Cancer Center; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital has been nationally recognized as the site of one of the leading Skull-Base Surgery programs in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital was the first hospital in the region to house an Advanced Spine Institute, featuring surgical teams for Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital is home to a regional referral center for rehabilitation services and provides the community with one of the largest acute and outpatient rehabilitation centers in San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, innovative clinical advancements and surgeries at Alvarado Hospital have been broadcast live via satellite to major medical conferences and have thus brought national and international media attention and deference to Alvarado Hospital and, through these efforts, affection and admiration to the City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital's physicians have brought national acclaim to the city of San Diego through their discovery and deployment of cutting edge treatments to patients from San Diego and around the world who travel to Alvarado Hospital for care - and cure; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital was the first hospital in the United States to house a Sexual Medicine program for men and women with sexual dysfunction; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital has been nationally recognized by the Joint Commission with the "Gold Seal of Approval" for its Stroke Program; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital is recognized as a San Diego County STEMI (heart attack) receiving center and an American Heart Association-certified Heart Program; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital's Chiefs of Staff have been listed in San Diego Magazine's Top Doctor's issue for Four Consecutive Years; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital was the first hospital in the United States to perform the Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass surgical procedure for weight loss; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital's Mammography Program has been cited by the California Department of Public Health as a "benchmark for the community, and an excellent model for other facilities to follow"; and

WHEREAS, Alvarado Hospital has advanced the science of patient care, from medical discovery to patient recovery; 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 is honored to hereby proclaim December 6, 2008 to be "ALVARADO HOSPITAL 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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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of JAN 6 2009.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By *Elizabeth S. Maland*
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 1-23-09
(date)

Jerry Sanders
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor