

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304636
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WHEREAS, in February 2009, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People [NAACP] will celebrate a 100 year journey as the nation's oldest, largest and most effective civil rights advocacy organization – a legacy that has forever changed the landscape of American history; and

WHEREAS, for one hundred years, the NAACP was built and grew on the collective courage of thousands of people. People of all races, nationalities and faiths united on one premise – that all men and women are created equal – enduring inhumanity and unspeakable pain, shedding blood, sweat and tears, to clinch what seemed to be impossible victories in the struggle to bring an end to the lynching of African-Americans and school segregation, and, to win passage of the Voting Rights Act. The Association continues to be at the forefront of issues paramount to our communities. The NAACP's efforts have led to the launch of new initiatives and programs aimed at eliminating disparities in education, economic development, healthcare, technology and many other issues; and

WHEREAS, despite violence, oppression, trauma, intimidation and hostile government policies, the nation's beacon for social justice and its grass-roots base of members has persevered; and

WHEREAS, the NAACP's most courageous moments have involved everyone from school children to laborers to professionals to presidents to just ordinary men and women, those who decided to champion what's right and just; and

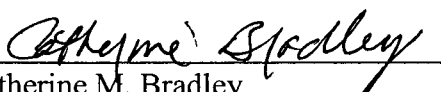
WHEREAS, the vision of the NAACP is to ensure a society in which all individuals have equal rights and there is no racial hatred or racial discrimination; and

WHEREAS, from the ballot box to the classroom, the dedicated workers, organizers, and leaders who forged this great organization and maintain its status as a champion of social justice, fought long and hard to ensure that the voices of African Americans would be heard; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Branch of the NAACP works within the mission of its charter to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate racial hatred and racial discrimination; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Council, do hereby proclaim February 17, 2009, to be “**THE NAACP’S CENTENNIAL DAY**” in the City of San Diego and commend members of the San Diego Branch of the NAACP for their courage and commitment to the fulfillment of freedom, justice and equality in the City of San Diego.

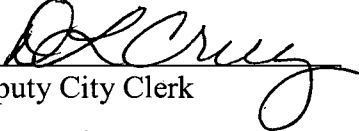
APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By 
Catherine M. Bradley
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 FEB 17 2009.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 3-2-09
(date)


JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

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