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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304637

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WHEREAS, the Gaslamp Quarter Association is a recognized and respected Business Improvement Association, representing the businesses located in the historic Gaslamp Quarter; and

WHEREAS, the Gaslamp Quarter has been the home of San Diego's Mardi Gras Celebration for the last 15 years; and

WHEREAS, the Gaslamp Quarter Association has spent several years and countless hours to build the Gaslamp Quarter Mardi Gras as the most successful festival of its kind west of the Mississippi and recognized as one of the top ten in the entire world; and

WHEREAS, the Gaslamp Quarter Mardi Gras, with its multiple stages, entertainment venues, strolling musicians, street performers and two Masquerade Parades, attracts visitors to San Diego from across the country and around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Gaslamp Quarter Association, through its progressive management design and partnership with Kicking In, has used the Gaslamp Quarter Mardi Gras to raise funds for over 35 local educational, athletic, scholarship, community and music programs whose accumulative benefit exceeds \$50,000 over the past five years; and

WHEREAS, the Gaslamp Quarter Association, through its successful management of the event, has created, by official action of its Board of Directors, a community public safety benefit program that has provided the San Diego Police, Fire and Life Safety departments equipment and support funding in excess of \$40,000 over the past four years; 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, does hereby proclaim the week of February 16, 2009, as "MARDI GRAS IN SAN DIEGO WEEK" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By

Sharon B. Spivak

Deputy City Attorney

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Or.Dept:Council-Faulconer

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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 FFB 1 7 2009 .

ELIZABETH S. MALAND

City Clerk

Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 3

3.7.04

(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed:

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JERRY SANDERS, Mayor