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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304815
DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAY 04 2009

WHEREAS, San Diego Rotary District 5340's *Pathways to Peace* Committee, committed to maximizing Rotary as an agent of peace, culminated a year-long project by organizing a ten-day educational and cultural exchange between students at two Middle Schools, one in San Diego, one in Jerusalem; and

WHEREAS, sixteen students and two teachers from Hand in Hand Center for Jewish-Arab Education in Israel, who are co-taught by Arab and Jewish teachers in both Hebrew and Arabic, at a school co-directed by Arab and Jewish co-principals, came to San Diego and are being hosted by Francis Parker School families; and

WHEREAS, Francis Parker School, a balanced, challenging, and integrated K-12 educational program, has been committed, since 1912, to providing a superior college-preparatory education in a diverse, family-oriented environment that meets the academic, social, creative, emotional, and physical needs of individual students; and

WHEREAS, visiting students will participate in on-campus projects with Francis Parker Middle School students that deal with conflict resolution; cultural, religious, and political diversity; tolerance; and American History; and

WHEREAS, visiting students will also attend interfaith worship services, and participate in both a community service project and speaking engagements at local Rotary Clubs; and

WHEREAS, long term *Pathways to Peace* plans include a reciprocal visit by Francis Parker School students to the Hand in Hand campus in Jerusalem; and

WHEREAS, this teaming of Rotary District 5340, Hand in Hand School, and Francis Parker School serves as an example of successfully reaching across boundaries to promote international understanding and goodwill; 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, hereby proclaims April 21, 2009 to be "PATHWAYS TO PEACE DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By Sharon B. Spivak
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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 APR 21 2009.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By [Signature]
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 5-4-09
(date)

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JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor