(R-2009-1090)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304864

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAY 1 4 2009

WHEREAS, water is California's most precious natural resource; and

WHEREAS, Governor Schwarzenegger proclaimed a state of emergency in February 2009 and ordered immediate action to manage the water supply crisis; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Mayor Sanders declared a Drought Response Level

1 Emergency asking the community to voluntarily conserve water; and

WHEREAS, the health of San Diego's growing population and the welfare of our communities depend on reliable and high-quality drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Water Department has for more than 100 years continually delivered safe and healthy drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Water Department continues to upgrade its infrastructure to provide citizens with improved services; and

WHEREAS, San Diegans citywide have successfully saved 10.5 billion gallons of drinking water through Fiscal Year 2008 by participating in water conservation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor encourages all San Diegans to make conservation a collaborative effort by pledging to save 20 gallons of water daily through the San Diego County Water Authority's "20 Gallon Challenge" campaign; and

WHEREAS, during the month of May, the Mayor and City Council urge all citizens to continue to be water wise and to recognize that water is our most precious natural resource; 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 May to be "WATER AWARENESS MONTH" in the City of San Diego, and does hereby support the exemplary efforts of the Water Department.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

Sharon B. Spivak

Deputy City Attorney

SBS:amt 04/21/09

Or.Dept:Mayor, Councilmember Frye & Council President Hueso R-2009-1090

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of <u>MAY 0 5 2009</u>.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND