

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 304972

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUN 17 2009

WHEREAS, San Diego Zoo benefactor Audrey Steele Burnand grew up in a family that wholeheartedly believed in giving back to the community; and

WHEREAS, Audrey Burnand is dedicated to philanthropy because “there’s no better feeling on this planet than giving;” and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Burnand, a longtime friend of the Zoo, has been a true hero to so many amazing animals, from cheetahs to California condors to the Pacific pocket mouse; and

WHEREAS, Audrey Burnand has given with outstanding generosity to a new exhibit, The Harry and Grace Steele Elephant Odyssey, named in memory of her beloved parents; and

WHEREAS, her spectacular leadership gift in 2007 served as an inspiration for many other friends of the Zoo to support this project of “mammoth” proportions; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the elephants and all the other incredible species in Elephant Odyssey, the San Diego Zoo is extremely grateful to Audrey Burnand and deeply appreciative of her unflagging support over the years; and

WHEREAS, Audrey Burnand believes in the Zoo’s goal of excellent animal care because it is “all about the animals and providing them with an environment in which they can thrive;” and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Burnand has not forgotten one of the smallest local endangered species in need, the Pacific pocket mouse, and has sponsored much-needed field research; and

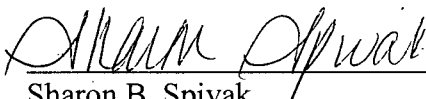
WHEREAS, heartfelt thanks go out to Mrs. Burnand for her benevolence, which reflects her great love for animals; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Burnand's dedication to protecting wildlife and educating visitors about conservation makes her one of the greatest supporters in the Zoo's 93-year history; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of San Diego, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby commend Audrey Steele Burnand for her dedication and service to the San Diego Zoo.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that May 20, 2009, be and is hereby proclaimed to be, **"AUDREY STEELE BURNAND DAY"** in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By 
Sharon B. Spivak
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 JUN 09 2009.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By *Jenna Richardson*
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 6.17.09
(date)

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JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor