

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 305170

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE JUL 31 2009

WHEREAS, Diana Getrich Villegas has served the students of San Diego and the community of Barrio Logan for over nine years as an enthusiastic believer in the transformative power of higher education, a dedicated champion of college access for all, a selfless advocate for underserved and underrepresented communities, and as the visionary leader and Executive Director of Barrio Logan College Institute [BLCI]; and

WHEREAS, Getrich Villegas transformed Barrio Logan College Institute from a struggling grassroots organization near closure in 2001 into a viable, sustainable, and successful community-based college prep program that is a model for college access efforts throughout the greater San Diego community; and

WHEREAS, Getrich Villegas was instrumental in developing the comprehensive college prep curriculum that has helped an ever-growing number of students realize their dreams of becoming the first generation in their families to go to college; and

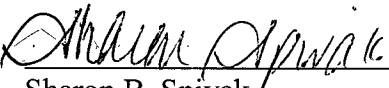
WHEREAS, Getrich Villegas' innovative thinking led to the creation of Barrio Logan College Institute's College Success Program, which combines renewable scholarships with ongoing services and support to BLCI's college-enrolled alumni. Under Getrich Villegas' guidance, in just three short years, the College Success Program awarded over \$150,000 in scholarship dollars to first-generation college students; and

WHEREAS, Getrich Villegas fostered a greater sense of community and collaboration among San Diego non-profits by creating and maintaining active, mutually beneficial relationships with over forty different partner organizations; and

WHEREAS, Getrich Villegas raised over \$3.5 million in support of Barrio Logan College Institute's College Prep Pipeline and its efforts to promote the pursuit of higher education for first-generation college students; 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 July 17, 2009, to be "DIANE GETRICH VILLEGAS DAY" in recognition of her tremendous contributions to students of 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 JUL 28 2009

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 7-31-09
(date)


JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor