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WHEREAS, over 7,500 homeless individuals currently reside in the San Diego region and are in need of daily assistance. The causes of homeless are varied and include unemployment, mental illness, addiction, domestic violence, or lack of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, Embrace San Diego is a non-profit organization founded on the philosophy that serving less fortunate members of society brings people together irrespective of race, religion, or cultural upbringing; and is dedicated to feeding the homeless, providing college students with leadership opportunities through community service, and teaching school-based wellness; and

WHEREAS, Embrace San Diego organizes food and blanket drives in partnership with the San Diego State University Office of Diversity and San Diego State University Associated Students and coordinates the efforts of hundreds of volunteers who deliver healthy food and beverages to several hundred homeless citizens each week throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, Embrace San Diego identifies student volunteers to assist non-profit entities, while ensuring the students receive credit toward graduation, thus creating an environment for our young leaders to gain valuable experience and an appreciation for the community as they prepare to enter the workforce; and

WHEREAS, Embrace San Diego will join community leaders and San Diego State

University students the first week of November to collect non-perishable food items and blankets

for the homeless; 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 November 1-7, 2009, to be "EMBRACE THE STREETS WEEK" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By

Paul F. Prather

Deputy City Attorney

PFP:ljk 10/09/09

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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  $\frac{001272009}{272009}$ .

ELIZABETH S. MALAND

City Clerk

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Deputy City Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: \_\_\_

(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor