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WHEREAS, Native American Indians were San Diego's first inhabitants who were in residence before Spain sent explorers to the West Coast of the Americas, before missionaries came north from Mexico, before the Mayflower set sail for the New World, before Mexico awarded land grants to its California colonists, and before California became a part of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, four tribal groupings make up the indigenous Indians of San Diego County: the Kumeyaay/Diegueño, the Luiseño, the Cupeño, and the Cahuilla, and there are 18 Indian reservations in San Diego County, more than in any other county in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Native American Indian tribal governments developed the fundamental principles of freedom of speech and separation of powers that form the foundation of the United States government; and

WHEREAS, Native American Indians have traditionally exhibited a respect for the finiteness of natural resources through a reverence for the earth; and

WHEREAS, Native American Indians have served with valor in public service and all branches of government, and have consistently been an attribute to our region; and

WHEREAS, Native American Indians have made distinct and important contributions to the United States and the rest of the world in many fields, including agriculture, medicine, music, language, and art; and

WHEREAS, this recognition will encourage self-esteem, pride, and self-awareness in American Indians and Alaska Natives of all ages; and

WHEREAS, November is a time when many Americans commemorate a special time in the history of the United States when American Indians and English settlers celebrated the bounty of their harvest and the promise of new kinships; 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 commend the Native American tribes in our region for their culture.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that November 2009 be and is hereby proclaimed to be, "NATIVE AMERICAN MONTH" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

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Sharon B. Spivak

Deputy City Attorney

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Or.Dept:Council-Gloria

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of $\underline{NOV \ 1 \ 0 \ 2009}$.

| | ELIZABETH S. MALAND City Clerk By |
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| | Deputy City Clerk |
| Approved: 11.12.09 | 451 |
| (date) | JERRY SANDERS, Mayor |
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