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WHEREAS, San Diego Floral Association will be honored by the Friends of Balboa Park with a 2009 Millennium Award for over 100 years of horticulture and floriculture promotion in Balboa Park; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, October 27, 2009, the Friends of Balboa Park will host the ninth annual Millennium Awards Luncheon at the Balboa Park Club, and will celebrate this year's theme, Designs on the Future; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Floral Association, one of San Diego's oldest civic groups, was founded in 1907 to help promote community improvement by introducing to San Diego the wide variety of plants that flourish in our climate; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Floral Association's purpose was quickly expanded to help beautify Balboa Park for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition, and Balboa Park's Botanical Building is a lasting result of the efforts of the Association and its founding president; and

WHEREAS, founding president Alfred D. Robinson, along with Kate O. Sessions and George W. Marston, brought advocacy for preservation of open space, canyons, native trees, and park planning to San Diego Floral Association – a tradition that continues today; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Floral Association's *California Garden Magazine* is celebrating its 100th year of publication during 2009, and the native plant garden, a botanically significant succulent garden, and the Butterfly Garden are among the legacies of San Diego Floral Association in Balboa Park; and

WHEREAS, at 1,200 members strong, San Diego Floral Association sponsors classes, garden tours, and shows, including the annual December Nights floral show, and maintains a publicly accessible 3,100-volume horticultural library located at its office in Balboa Park's Casa del Prado building; 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, hereby commends San Diego Floral Association for its longstanding commitment to Balboa Park, and congratulates it on its receipt of the Friends of Balboa Park's ninth annual Millennium Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that October 27, 2009, be and is hereby proclaimed to be, "SAN DIEGO FLORAL ASSOCIATION DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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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 $_NOV~1~0~2009$