

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 307641

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE AUG 15 2012

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SAN DIEGO ENDORSING U.S. REPRESENTATIVE
SUSAN DAVIS' FEDERAL LEGISLATION TO NAME THE
NEW UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE AT 333 WEST
BROADWAY THE "JAMES M. CARTER AND JUDITH N.
KEEP UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE"

WHEREAS, construction will soon be completed on the new United States Courthouse at
333 West Broadway in Downtown San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has legal responsibility for the naming of federal
courthouses; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Representative Susan Davis, in an effort to determine a consensus
choice to name the new building, has encouraged the San Diego community to propose names;
and

WHEREAS, a consensus emerged to name the new federal courthouse after two
prominent jurists: U.S. District Judge James M. Carter, who later served on the Ninth Circuit
Court of Appeals, and U.S. District Judge Judith N. Keep; and

WHEREAS, both Judge Carter and Judge Keep were true trailblazers in the San Diego
legal community; and

WHEREAS, Judge Carter was the individual most responsible for the creation of the
Southern District of California by convincing the Judicial Conference of the United States to
support its creation; and

WHEREAS, Judge Carter became the first Chief Judge of the Southern District of California; and

WHEREAS, Judge Keep graduated from University of San Diego Law School as its valedictorian, at a time when fewer than 5% of lawyers were women; and

WHEREAS, Judge Keep was the first female District Court Judge of the Southern District of California, and later became the District Court's first female Chief Judge; and

WHEREAS, Judge Carter and Judge Keep had a reputation for being hard-working, impartial, and intelligent jurists; and

WHEREAS, Judge Carter and Judge Keep worked tirelessly off the bench to better their local communities; and

WHEREAS, Judge Carter and Judge Keep served the public with distinction and truly reflected the San Diego legal community's shared values of excellence and integrity; and

WHEREAS, naming the United States Courthouse at 333 West Broadway after Judge Carter and Judge Keep would be a consensus choice and inspirational to the San Diego community; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego County Bar Association has written a letter to support the naming of the United States Courthouse at 333 West Broadway after Judge Carter and Judge Keep; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that the Council supports federal legislation to name the new United States Courthouse at 333 West Broadway in Downtown San Diego the "James M. Carter and Judith N. Keep United States Courthouse."

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, 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 31 2012.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By May Humaya
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 8.15.12
(date)

Jerry Sanders
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor