

RESOLUTION NUMBER R-_____

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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
SAN DIEGO SUPPORTING THE LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO
INITIATIVE OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

WHEREAS, *Live Well San Diego*, an initiative adopted by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors in 2010, lays out a 10-year strategy to achieve the vision of healthy, safe and thriving communities, and unites businesses, schools, military and veterans organizations, community and faith-based organizations, and all levels of government, working together toward this shared vision; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego, has a crucial role to play in this regional effort, and demonstrates its commitment to healthy, safe and thriving communities in a number of ways as described herein; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego continues to work with the County to improve the region's readiness to respond and recover from fires and other emergencies, and together with the County has made significant enhancements since the Cedar Fire 10 years ago, including plans for joint recovery centers to enhance the delivery of services and support to residents impacted by disasters; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego encourages innovative approaches to preventing gang membership among the City's youth by forming the Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention - bringing together the City of San Diego Police Department, San Diego Unified School District, San Diego County Chief of Probation, San Diego County Sheriff, San Diego

County District Attorney and other key leaders - and actively supporting efforts such as Safe Routes to Schools and Safe Passages to increase the number of children who can, and do, safely walk and bicycle to school by addressing issues related to traffic, drug activity and predators; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's Police Department works every day to create safer communities, and demonstrates a special commitment to protecting children by offering safety patrols at various schools throughout the city; supporting Youth Voice project, a youth-led, law enforcement-supported leadership program for inner city youth; and by taking quick action in special circumstances such as the opening of the new Monarch school for homeless children by removing risks to their safety when walking to and from school; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego sees the value in creating public excitement for bicycle and pedestrian travel by collaborating with community partners on CicloSDias, the first open streets market event; by participating in "Bikes Count," in which a network of automated bicycle and pedestrian counters collect data to inform actions to increase bicycling opportunities; and by building a stronger infrastructure for biking to support a new Bike Share program; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego supports long-term infrastructure planning for active transportation, and studying land-use and mobility along transportation corridors through projects like the Morena Boulevard Station Area Planning Study in the Linda Vista and Clairemont communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego passed an Urban Agricultural ordinance in February 2012, greatly reducing restrictions on community gardens; allowing expansion of farmer's markets, farm produce stands and small neighborhood farms in city limits, and making other changes that will create economic opportunities for residents while promoting health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego has historically supported parks and encouraged residents to enjoy the parks through a wide variety of recreational activities and programs, including unique programs such as the Photo Voice project which provides opportunity for residents to identify ways to improve public spaces; and by hosting important events like National Night Out which brings law enforcement together with residents to heighten crime prevention and build civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is committed to breaking the cycle of homelessness through its partnership in Project 25 in which the need for public services among the seriously mentally ill and homeless population can be reduced through intensive supports and supportive housing, while holding these individuals accountable for adhering to their treatment plans and thereby increasing their prospects for recovery; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego has committed to advancing *Live Well San Diego*, embracing strategies in this initiative going forward by:

- Building a better service delivery system by continuing to enhance coordination between the County and City in emergency response and communications at the time of an event, including dispatching of liaisons by either the County or the City to the other's respective Emergency Operations Centers; and
- Supporting positive choices by promoting active lifestyles including walking, bicycling, and public transportation at community events and through long-term infrastructure planning; supporting positive choices through gang diversion programs for at-risk youth, and through crime prevention and youth engagement efforts involving the Gang Commission and other partners; and promoting safe driving among teens to reduce deaths and injuries among our youth; and

- Pursuing policy and environmental change by expanding Safe Routes programs that focus on making streets friendlier to pedestrians and bicyclists and developing a complete streets implementation plan; committing to tobacco and smoke free environments, strengthening tobacco retail licensing and considering the inclusion of tobacco control in the City's general plan; and encouraging youth and other resident engagement in community improvement efforts through participation in *Live Well San Diego* Leadership Teams and other outreach efforts; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of San Diego, that the City of San Diego is committed to supporting the *Live Well San Diego* initiative of the County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, and that in support the City will further encourage all City residents to take action to improve the safety, health and well-being of themselves, their families, their neighborhoods and communities.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By _____
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Deputy City Attorney

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Or.Dept: Council President
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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 _____.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By _____
Deputy City Clerk

Approved pursuant to Charter Section 265(i):

(date)

TODD GLORIA, Council President