

DRAFT**RESOLUTION 20xx-xxx****RESOLUTION APPROVING PROCLAMATION IN
RECOGNITION OF OCTOBER 2019 AS
“CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS MONTH” IN
SUPPORT OF NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES
MONTH**

WHEREAS, the San Diego Unified Port District (District) is a public corporation created by the Legislature in 1962 pursuant to *Harbors and Navigation Code* Appendix I (Port Act); and

WHEREAS, Section 35 of the Port Act allows the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) to do all acts necessary and convenient for the exercise of its powers; and

WHEREAS, Section 21 of the Port Act allows the BPC to pass all necessary resolutions for the regulation of the District; and

WHEREAS, National Arts and Humanities Month was launched by Americans for the Arts 30 years ago as “National Arts Week,” in honor of the twentieth anniversary of the National Endowment for the Arts; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, it was reestablished by Americans for the Arts and national art partners as a month-long celebration with the goal of focusing on the arts at local, state, and national level; and

WHEREAS, dedication to those goals has translated into large-scale celebrations across the country, reflecting the rich diversity of culture in America through art, music, cultural programming, and education; making National Arts and Humanities Month the largest annual celebration for the arts and humanities in the nation today; and

WHEREAS, October 2019 marks the fourth consecutive year that the Waterfront Arts & Activation department has produced programming in celebration of National Arts and Humanities Month; and

WHEREAS, these creative activation events are one aspect of the District’s larger strategy to enhance the cultural richness of District tidelands through creating engaging public art, cutting edge cultural programming, diverse and exciting special events, and widely accessible recreational opportunities; and

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WHEREAS, the District started its public art initiatives in the 1980s as a means of activating the waterfront's parks and public spaces with innovative artworks; and

WHEREAS, celebrating National Arts and Humanities Month across the country and at the District raises public awareness about the role of the arts in communities and people's lives; it encourages individuals and organizations to participate in the arts and humanities, and allows governments and businesses to show their support of the arts; and

WHEREAS, the proposed proclamation would be an acknowledgement of the District's long-standing role in supporting and promoting the arts on tidelands for the enrichment of both residents and visitors to the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, does hereby proclaim and recognize October 2019 as "Celebration of the Arts Month" in support of National Arts and Humanities Month.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:
GENERAL COUNSEL

By: Assistant/Deputy

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 8th day of October 2019, by the following vote: