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**RESOLUTION 20xx-xxx**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING PROCLAMATION IN  
RECOGNITION OF OCTOBER 2021 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 first launched over 30 years ago in honor of the twentieth anniversary of the National Endowment for the Arts and, since that time, has grown exponentially into a coast-to-coast collective recognition of the importance of creativity and culture in America, with thousands of government agencies and arts and cultural organizations have joined the national celebration by approving proclamations and recognizing October with a month-long campaign to raise public awareness about the role of the arts in communities and people’s lives; and

**WHEREAS**, the District first recognized Arts Month with a proclamation in 2016, making 2021 the sixth consecutive year that the Parks & Recreation department has programmed “Celebration of the Arts Month”; and

**WHEREAS**, the arts are the lifeblood of our communities, raising morale, creating community cohesion, and lifting spirits during difficult times, while also making a substantial economic impact to the region. Each year, October is a time where people join together to celebrate the power that the arts have to ignite hope, unify communities, and be recognized as an economic driver and vital public service that affects lives for the better; and

**WHEREAS**, the District’s Parks & Recreation department manages public access to 22 beautiful parks for the benefit of public recreation, passive enjoyment, community gatherings, special events, and the display of a collection of public artworks to enhance the waterfront experience; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed proclamation marks the District’s sixth year

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acknowledging its long-standing commitment to stewardship and professional management of its parks for the enrichment of both residents and visitors to the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the “Celebration of the Arts Month” raises public awareness about the role of the arts in communities and people’s lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, does hereby proclaim and recognize October 2021 as Celebration of the Arts Month.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:  
GENERAL COUNSEL

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By: Assistant/Deputy

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021, by the following vote: