



County of San Diego California

PROCLAMATION

Presented By Chairwoman Dianne Jacob

HONORING THE WATER CONSERVATION GARDEN'S 10th ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Water Conservation Garden in Rancho San Diego was created in 1999 by the Otay and Helix water districts as a public demonstration of water-saving landscaping measures, with Cuyamaca College donating the five acres for the garden; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Water Conservation Garden is to promote water conservation in Southern California through excellent programs and exhibits that educate and inform the public; and

WHEREAS, the only garden of its kind in San Diego County, the Water Conservation Garden has received national recognition as a leader in water conservation throughout the Western United States; and

WHEREAS, the Water Conservation Garden is governed by a joint powers authority, comprised of the San Diego County Water Authority, the Sweetwater Authority, the Otay and Helix Water Districts, the City of San Diego and the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District; and

WHEREAS, due to significant water challenges facing the San Diego region, the number of visitors to the Water Conservation Garden is expected to surpass 50,000 this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Water Conservation Garden, as it has done throughout the past decade, provides help to residents of San Diego County needing to reduce their water usage through exhibits, classes, tours, and events; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Diego is committed to recognizing and honoring those organizations that are dedicated to the best ideals of public service, and the Water Conservation Garden is one such worthy organization; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT PROCLAIMED by Chairwoman Dianne Jacob and all members of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors on this 25th day of April 2009 that they commend the **WATER CONSERVATION GARDEN** and celebrate its 10th anniversary, and do hereby declare this day to be "**WATER CONSERVATION GARDEN DAY**" throughout San Diego County.



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