National Conflict Resolution Center Day
October 25, 2016
Presented by Council President Pro Tem Marti Emerald

WHEREAS, the National Conflict Resolution Center was launched in 1983 as a grassroots mediation provider by the University of San Diego Law Center and the San Diego County Bar Association; AND

WHEREAS, the National Conflict Resolution Center has resolved more than 30,000 disputes in over 30 years of mediation and conflict management services; AND

WHEREAS, the National Conflict Resolution Center will, this year alone, touch the lives of more than 10,000 San Diego residents this year ranging in age from middle schoolers to senior citizens; AND

WHEREAS, the National Conflict Resolution Center’s services have reached across eight nations on three continents and six Cabinet-level U.S. departments, but its core mission has always been to empower people and transform cultures here in San Diego; AND

WHEREAS, the National Conflict Resolution Center’s “Avoiding the Pipeline to Prison” program, developed in partnership with regional education and law enforcement leaders, has emerged as a national model for keeping at-risk youth in school, out of trouble, and on a pathway to adult success; AND

WHEREAS, the National Conflict Resolution Center has pioneered a “Live Well San Diego Exchange” program for at-risk citizens that has emerged as a platform for community dialogue that can build police-citizen cohesion; AND

WHEREAS, the National Conflict Resolution Center celebrates the principles of civility and collaboration in its "Peacemakers Awards" program, one of San Diego’s best-loved community and philanthropic events; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the City Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim October 25, 2016, to be “National Conflict Resolution Day” in the City of San Diego.