RESOLUTION <u>2016-155</u>

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF OCTOBER 2016 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 1, (Port Act); and

WHEREAS, in 2015, President Obama proclaimed October as National Arts and Humanities Month and called upon the citizens of the United States to observe this month with ceremonies, activities, and special programs to celebrate the arts and humanities in America; and

WHEREAS, locally, arts and cultural programming strengthens the San Diego economy, as indicated by data reporting that the total spending by the nonprofit arts and culture industry—including both nonprofit organizations and their audiences—in San Diego County exceeds \$665 million annually; and

WHEREAS, for FY17, one of the goals of the Office of Arts & Culture is to broaden its offerings to include a variety of cultural programming for the District and members of the public; and

WHEREAS, in support of "Celebration of the Arts Month," the Office of Arts & Culture has developed a month-long calendar with cultural events for Port employees and/or members of the public to enjoy or participate in throughout the month of October; and

WHEREAS, the proclamation recognizing October 2016 as "Celebration of the Arts Month" will reaffirm the District's long-standing role in supporting and promoting the arts on tidelands for the enrichment of residents of San Diego and visitors to the region; and

WHEREAS, everyone at the District will be invited to join in "Celebration of the Arts Month" through flyers, event calendars, and other announcements which will be posted throughout the month, with the goal of providing more opportunities to gain an awareness and appreciation for how art influences and enriches peoples' lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, hereby proclaims October 2016 as "Celebration of the Arts Month".

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY: **GENERAL COUNSEL** Bv: Assistant/Deputy

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 13th day of October 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Castellanos, Malcolm, Merrifield, Moore, Nelson, and Valderrama. NAYS: None. EXCUSED: Bonelli. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

Marshall Merrifield, Chairman Board of Port Commissioners

ATTEST:

Timothy A. Deuel District Clerk

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