Proclamation of the City Council

City of San Diego

ONE BOOK, ONE SAN DIEGO MONTH

Presented by Mayor Jerry Sanders & Council President Tony Young

WHEREAS, the San Diego Public Library and KPBS are sponsoring **ONE BOOK, ONE SAN DIEGO**, a campaign to cultivate a culture of reading that brings our diverse City together for lively conversations and exchange of ideas about monumental literary works; and

WHEREAS, ONE BOOK, ONE SAN DIEGO is an open invitation to everyone who lives, works, or visits San Diego to read and discuss books focused on this year's theme, "Around the World with One Book," which explores interesting international locales such as Iran in the 1960s, Hawaii at the dawn of the American period, and the vibrant border between the U.S. and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, this year the program will highlight three books including "Sky of Red Poppies" authored by Zoe Ghahremani about the redeeming friendship between two young women, set against the backdrop of a politically divided 1960's Iran under rule of the Shah; "Moloka'i" authored by Alan Brennert about a spirited young girl growing up on Kalaupapa, the quarantined leprosy settlement on the island of Moloka'i in Hawaii; and "Into the Beautiful North" authored by Luis Alberto Urrea about small town young Mexican women who travel North to San Diego in hopes of finding marriageable men to bring back to Mexico; and

WHEREAS, during the months of January through July, 2012, the San Diego Public Library and KPBS will host a series of community events, lectures, television, and radio programming designed to encourage San Diegans of all ages and walks of life to read and discuss all three titles being highlighted this year; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim the month of January 2012, to be **"ONE BOOK, ONE SAN DIEGO"** Month in the City of San Diego.

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Approved by Council on the 24th *Day of* January, 2012.