PROCLAMATION

Presented By Supervisor Ron Roberts

HONORING CATHOLIC CHARITIES AS A 'LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO' PARTNER

WHEREAS, the health, safety and well-being of residents is of primary concern for the County of San Diego and on July 13, 2010, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors adopted Live Well San Diego to achieve the County's vision of safe, healthy and thriving communities; and

WHEREAS, Live Well San Diego is about uniting all sectors — businesses, schools, military and veteran's organizations, community and faith-based organizations, and all levels of government — in order to bring about positive health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, since its 1919 founding, Catholic Charities, Diocese of San Diego has become one of San Diego's foundational human care service organizations providing an integrated continuum of services to support and empower people in need throughout San Diego and Imperial Counties; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Catholic Charities is to witness actively on behalf of the scriptural values of mercy and justice, to acknowledge the sacredness of the human person by working to enhance the quality of life of each individual, and to advocate for a just society by calling men and women to action on behalf of the poor; and

WHEREAS, for the past 30 years Catholic Charities has been providing health education and medical screening to homeless women at the Rachel's Women Center, including an annual health fair and has addressed equal access to healthcare by enrolling eligible individuals in Covered California and Medi-Cal; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities addresses the issue of food insecurity by providing healthy food choices to 32,665 families per year through its Food Resource Centers and by operating the Senior Nutrition Program since 1988 in Imperial County; and

WHEREAS, a strong advocate for the health and safety of its employees, Catholic Charities has established an active Health & Wellness Committee and encouraged its staff to participate in various health promotion initiatives, such as Weight Watchers, Biggest Loser Contest and "Know Your Numbers" bio-metric screening; 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 Catholic Charities, Diocese of San Diego is one such worthy organization; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT PROCLAIMED by Chairman Bill Horn and all members of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors on this 18th day of June, 2015 that they commend CATHOLIC CHARITIES, DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO for its outstanding commitment to the health and well-being of county residents, and do hereby declare this day to be the "CATHOLIC CHARITIES LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO DAY" throughout San Diego County.