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MARCH FONG EU, Secretary of State

PROCLAMATION

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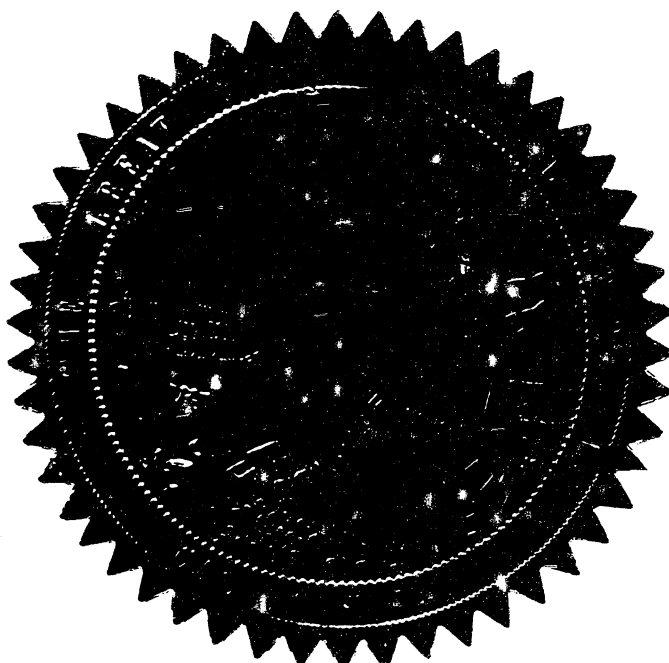
WHEREAS, on July 16, 1769, Father Junipero Serra established Mission San Diego Alcalá, the first mission in California and the first European settlement on the West Coast of America; and

WHEREAS, this mission was the birthplace of San Diego, "America's Finest City"; and

WHEREAS, San Diego has always been steeped in Spanish heritage as noted by its sister affiliation with Alcalá De Henares, Spain, which was settled by the Romans in 200 B.C.: and

WHEREAS, the historical roots of California begin with the Mission San Diego Alcalá:

NOW, THEREFORE, I EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Governor of California, hereby proclaim July 16, 1962 to be a day of joyous celebration commemorating California's historical birthday and the work of Spanish missionaries who did so much to settle California over 200 years ago.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 13th day of July 1962.

Edmund G. Brown Jr.
Governor of California

ATTEST:
March Fong Eu
Secretary of State

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Deputy Secretary of State