



Presented By  
The Office Of  
The Mayor

*The City of San Diego*  
*Proclamation*

**NATIONAL SCOLIOSIS  
AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS, Scoliosis** is the abnormal curvature of the spine with no known cause, it affects 2-3% of the population, or an estimated 7 million people in the United States; and

**WHEREAS, Scoliosis** is a condition that strikes with no regard to gender, race, age or economic status; and

**WHEREAS,** the public's awareness of **scoliosis** must be increased to help children, parents, adults, and health care providers understand, recognize, and treat the complexities of spinal deformities; and

**WHEREAS,** an estimated one million **scoliosis** patients utilize health care yearly, approximately one of every six children diagnosed with this condition are eventually required to receive active medical treatment; and

**WHEREAS,** the primary age of onset for **scoliosis** is between ten and fifteen, with females being five times more likely to progress to a curve magnitude that requires treatment; and

**WHEREAS,** screening programs allow for early detection, and for treatment opportunities which may alleviate the worst effects of the condition; and

**WHEREAS, National Scoliosis Awareness Month** renews our commitment to raising awareness of and combating the spinal condition of Scoliosis, and to recognize the need for further research and funding to reduce the pain and suffering it causes. **NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JERRY SANDERS,** the 34<sup>th</sup> Mayor of the City of San Diego, do hereby proclaim June 2012, to be "**National Scoliosis Awareness Month**" in the City of San Diego, to raise awareness and help in the fight against Scoliosis in San Diego.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND, THIS DAY,  
AND HAVE CAUSED THE SEAL TO BE AFFIXED HERETO:



JERRY SANDERS  
MAYOR

June 2011

DATE