

A RESOLUTION **2014-10-02-0033R**

ENDORING THE NOMINATION OF SAN ANTONIO'S SPANISH COLONIAL MISSIONS AS A WORLD HERITAGE SITE AND SUPPORTING A LIMITED CONGRESSIONAL WAIVER OF PAYMENT OF UNESCO DUES THAT APPLIES SOLELY TO THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION.

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio is home to the Spanish Colonial San Antonio Missions which are a valuable cultural resource both locally and globally; and

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Missions meet the criteria for Outstanding Universal Value as defined by the World Heritage Convention; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Interior has approved a nomination of the San Antonio Missions as a World Heritage Site and have forwarded the nomination for consideration by the World Heritage Committee for inscription in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the designation as a World Heritage Site will attract domestic and international tourists to the Missions and boost the local tourism industry; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio provides additional zoning regulations to protect the Missions from encroaching development in an effort to preserve the scenic and environmental quality of the sites; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio values and respects the Spanish Colonial heritage of the City; and

WHEREAS, the World Heritage Convention is an independent treaty administered under the United Nations Education and Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); and

WHEREAS, the United States of America has not authorized payment for UNESCO dues for three years, thereby potentially affecting the World Heritage nomination for the San Antonio Missions; **NOW THEREFORE**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of San Antonio endorses the nomination of the San Antonio Missions as a World Heritage Site and supports a strictly limited Congressional waiver of payment of the World Heritage Convention dues.

SECTION 2. This Resolution shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

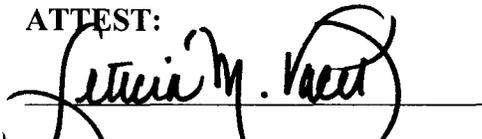
PASSED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of October, 2014.



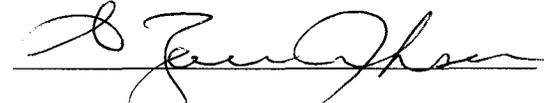
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Ivy R. Taylor

ATTEST:


Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Robert F. Greenblum, City Attorney

Agenda Item:	18B (in consent vote: 18A, 18B)
Date:	10/02/2014
Time:	09:24:19 AM
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve
Description:	A Resolution in support for the nomination and designation of the San Antonio Missions as a World Heritage Site and endorsing a limited waiver to pay United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization dues associated with World Heritage.
Result:	Passed

Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Ivy R. Taylor	Mayor		x				
Diego Bernal	District 1		x				
Keith Toney	District 2		x				
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		x			x	
Rey Saldaña	District 4		x				
Shirley Gonzales	District 5		x				
Ray Lopez	District 6		x				x
Mari Aguirre-Rodriguez	District 7		x				
Ron Nirenberg	District 8		x				
Joe Krier	District 9	x					
Michael Gallagher	District 10		x				