



# Proclamation of the City Council City of San Diego

## Dick Davis Day

Presented by Council President Pro Tem Joe LaCava and Councilmember Raul A. Campillo  
September 11, 2024

**WHEREAS**, Richard "Dick" Davis, a La Jolla resident since 1975, is an accomplished and dedicated individual who is a proud Eagle Scout, earned a Bachelor's degree from Princeton University, a Master's of Business Administration from Harvard Business School, and served as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Artillery Air Defense; **and**

**WHEREAS**, Dick Davis authored multiple works on nonprofit management and strategy, drawing on his experience as Executive Director/CEO of the San Diego Economic Development Corporation, Executive Director of the California State World Trade Commission, and President/Chairman of the San Diego Japan Society; **and**

**WHEREAS**, Dick Davis has served as the Executive Director of the Kyoto Prize Symposium, which gives the prestigious award presented annually to three laureates in advanced technology, basic sciences, and arts/philosophy; **and**

**WHEREAS**, Dick Davis upheld the longstanding tradition of the Kyoto Prize and its founder, Dr. Kazuo Inamori, by actively supporting, funding, and leading this organization, which has contributed nearly \$5 million in educational opportunities and college scholarships for high school students in San Diego and Tijuana, while developing a deep, fulfilling, and transformational love of Japan and its culture; **and**

**WHEREAS**, Dick Davis is a devoted husband to his wife, Jan, and a loving father to his two daughters, Amanda and Melissa, who have inspired and fueled his dedication to the City of San Diego and the Kyoto Prize Symposium; **and**

**WHEREAS**, Dick Davis is universally recognized for his integrity, leadership, his Princeton Tiger Orange and Black attire when the occasion so calls for it, but most of all, Dick Davis is known for his heart and unwavering commitment to his community, earning the respect and admiration of all who have had the privilege to work with him; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT PROCLAIMED**, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, on behalf of the people of San Diego, hereby proclaims September 11, 2024 to be "Dick Davis Day" in the City of San Diego.



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Approved by Council on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of September, 2024