

RESOLUTION NO. 2491**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD
PROCLAIMING A YEAR LONG CELEBRATION HONORING
THE CITY'S 75TH BIRTHDAY**

WHEREAS, the City of Soledad was officially incorporated as a City by the State of California on March 9, 1921, as a General Law City; and,

WHEREAS, The community of Soledad was initially founded in 1874 with a population of 54 and the establishment of two small hotels, a feed yard-store and a post office; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Soledad has grown to 3.93 square miles and a population of approximately 15,000; and,

WHEREAS, the City's name was derived from the Mission Nuestra Señora de la Soledad, the 13th Mission founded in 1791 by Father Fermin Lausuen; and

WHEREAS, the initial City was formed from the original Spanish land grant known as Rancho San Vicente; and

WHEREAS, the City's residents have endured natural catastrophes such as, floods, earthquakes and fire; and

WHEREAS, the City has grown from its humble beginnings to a thriving, vibrant community containing a diversified population; and

WHEREAS, the City has expanded from its initial small settlement to now include agricultural-industrial support operations, State prisons, along with a diversified and active retail commercial downtown; and

WHEREAS, the City now looks forward to future development that will enhance the Community's appearance and ability to provide services to all residents of the Community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the