RESOLUTION NO. 4644

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDLANDS, SUPPORTING THE MOVE TO PRESERVE UNITED STATES ROUTE 66 AS AN HISTORIC HIGHWAY

WHEREAS, United States Route 66, a two thousand mile highway from Chicago, Illinois to Santa Monica, California, has played a major role in the twentieth-century history of our country; and

WHEREAS, Route 66 has become a symbol of the American people's heritage of travel and their legacy of seeking a better life; and

WHEREAS, Route 66 served as a funnel for the twentieth-century migration from the Dust Bowl of the Central States; and

WHEREAS, Route 66 has been memorialized in such books as "Grapes of Wrath", songs, motion pictures, and television programs, and has become an accepted part of American popular culture; and

WHEREAS, during the early 1980's structures and features along Route 66 began to disappear and the historical value lost to the Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Redlands takes this opportunity to encourage that Route 66 be commemorated as a Nationally significant highway that was one of the longest and earliest transcontinental roadways in America and that Route 66 be preserved as an historic highway.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of April, 1990.

ATTEST:

City Clerk