WHEREAS, during the morning of Monday, January 29, 1979, rifle shots were fired by a sniper into the schoolyara of Cleveland Elementary School in San Carlos as hundreds of children were arriving for classes; and

WHEREAS, two members of the school staff were fatally injured, and eight children. and a police officer were wounded at this outset of a 6-1/2-hour ordeal which ended with the arrest of a suspect; and

WHEREAS, the wounded and the uninjured students were swiftly removed from the lineof fire and to safety under extremely hazardous conditions by police and school staff members; and \leq

WHEREAS, subsequent immediate and coordinated reactions of police officers resulted in isolating and establishing contact with the suspect, which brought an end to the qunfire and minimized further casualties in the area; and

WHEREAS, several officers of the San Diego Police Department and members of the staff of Cleveland Elementary School distinguished themselves during this tragic episode by their quick thinking and their courage in safeguarding the children and others at [great personal risk; and

WHEREAS, OFFICER DAVID T. BRIDGEMAN of the San Diego Police Department hung alongside a trash truck which was being driven by a fellow officer to serve as a shield for persons who were under gunfire; and

WHEREAS, OFFICER BRIDGEMAN'S action enabled him to establish an observation position in an effort to locate the sniper's location; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of San Diego commends

David T. Bridgeman

and expresses its gratitude, and that of the community, for his courageous and unselfish efforts on behalf of his fellow citizens.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, CHY ALTORNEY

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