WHEREAS, during the morning of Monday, January 29, 1979, rifle shots were fired by a sniper into the schoolyard 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 line of fire and to safety under extremely hazardous conditions by police and school staff members: and

WHEREAS, subsequent immediate and coordinated reactions of police officers resulted in isolating and establishing contact with the suspect, which brought an end to the dunfire 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, SERGEANT JAMES MC FADDEN of the San Diego Police Department served as leader of the SWAT team during the entire incident, efficiently isolating the suspect with minimum hazard to area citizens and officers; and

WHEREAS, SERGEANT MC FADDEN'S unique skill and outstanding leadership under extreme pressure prevented further casualties; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

James Mc Fadden

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

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