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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, San Diego Police officers began arriving at the scene of the tragedy while the sniper was firing and took immediate measures to remove wounded students and many uninjured students from the line of fire and to safety, at the same time ministering as required to the injured, while other officers took swift and effective measures to block the line of fire with a commandeered trash truck; and

WHEREAS, the actions of all of these officers, and others who undertook to ascertain the location of the sniper and to keep other persons from the danger, were carried out with precision and skill under great personal risk of bodily injury, and

WHEREAS, the actions of these San Diego Police officers are a credit not only to their professionalism and their courage, but also to the special training they have received in the San Diego Police Department, and

WHEREAS, the teamwork and courageous performance of San Diego Police officers on January 29, 1979, was one of several recent examples of the ability of the Department to respond when the safety of individuals or of the community is in immediate jeopardy; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of San Diego does, with pride, commend the officers of the

## San Diego Police Department

who have demonstrated, whenever called upon, that they are fully trained, capable and ready to respond to any situation in which skill, courage and teamwork are necessary to safeguard the lives and property of the people of San Diego.

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 by the following vote:

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**AUTHENTICATED BY:**

**PETE WILSON**  
 Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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**CHARLES G. ABDELNOUR**  
 City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By *Ellen Board*, Deputy.

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