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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 259514

Adopted on OCT 3 1 1983

WHEREAS, on the morning of Sunday, October 23, 1983, the San Diego Fire Department was notified of a fire on the top floor of a 15-story highrise apartment building in the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, the first firefighting unit arrived on the scene within two minutes and, within eight minutes, 14 units were in position; and

WHEREAS, ultimately four alarms were called in and a total of 19 engine companies and 7 truck companies with 125 firefighters and support units were involved in the operation, bringing the fire under control in two hours; and

WHEREAS, quick and often heroic action by firefighters, under hazardous conditions, including toxic gases and temperatures in excess of 1000 degrees on the 15th floor, is credited with limiting loss of life and injuries among the estimated 500 tenants of the building, including many elderly persons and children; and

WHEREAS, ongoing information and education programs of the Fire Prevention Bureau of the San Diego Fire Department are believed to have assisted many of the building's residents in taking positive actions to safeguard their lives while awaiting rescue, and to avoid panic during evacuation; and

WHEREAS, both in fire prevention and suppression efforts,

commanding officers and personnel of the San Diego Fire

Department demonstrated a high degree of training, innovation,

efficiency and dedication; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby commend the San Diego Fire Department for its outstanding efforts on Sunday, October 23, 1983, as well as for its consistent high level of performance in fire prevention and suppression benefitting many thousands of our citizens throughout the year.

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