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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 263558

ADOPTED ON JUL 01 1985

WHEREAS, the joint and several liability doctrine means that a governmental agency like The City of San Diego may pay for most of a judgment when another codefendant lacks money regardless of the degree of blame; and

WHEREAS, this doctrine's costs are compounded by the escalating cost of the City's joint and several liability insurance premium; and

WHEREAS, the City is supporting various measures in the State Legislature which would reform this costly doctrine; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Intergovernmental Relations, in his IRD Report No. 85-58, dated May 30, 1985, has set forth the background of this matter and presented appropriate recommendations in connection therewith; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that the City Attorney is encouraged to continue his discussions with the insurance industry, for the purpose of drafting viable reforms to the current joint and several liability doctrine.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City postpone consideration of retaining special counsel in Sacramento to lobby on this issue until a coalition of private and public sector interests,

including the insurance industry, fails at reforming the joint and several liability doctrine.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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Katz, Chief Deputy

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assed and adopted by the Council of The City of San Diego on the following vote:		JUL 01 1985	
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