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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 267367 ADOPTED ON DEC 16 1986

WHEREAS, the 1986 San Diego State football season was billed as a "Return to Glory" for Aztec gridiron fortunes; and

WHEREAS, the Aztecs captured their first Western Athletic Conference (WAC) championship, ending a ten-year reign by Brigham Young University (BYU), with a 10-3 victory over the BUY Cougars in the season finale; and

WHEREAS, the Aztec's rise from a sixth-place finish in 1985, to the WAC title in 1986, marked the biggest single-season turnaround in the league's twenty-five-year history; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Denny Stolz, in less than a year, took a senior dominated team that had suffered through three losing seasons, gave them confidence in themselves and established a winning attitude, an intangible that may be the hardest coaching skill of all; and

WHEREAS, Coach Stolz, in his first year, was voted Western
Athletic Conference Coach of the Year by his peers, the first
time a San Diego State coach has been so honored since the Aztecs
joined the WAC; and

WHEREAS, among other notable achievements, Aztec tight-end
Rob Awalt was named third team All-American and Aztecs stars Levi
Esene, Chris Hardy, Steve Lauter, Todd Santos and Mario Mitchell
received All-American recognition; and

WHEREAS, in keeping to his word, San Diego State Athletic director Dr. Fred Miller has, in one short year, restored both campus and community pride in the Western Athletic Conference Champion Aztecs; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that in recognition of the Aztecs 1986 season and their first appearance in the Holiday Bowl, that the Holiday bowl game day, December 30, 1986, be declared "San Diego State University Aztecs Return to Glory Day" in The City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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