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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R-272090 ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 10, 1988

WHEREAS, most hospice patients are cared for at home, but there are occasions when patients require acute care and the Joan B. Kroc Foundation has donated funds for construction of a twenty-four (24) bed Hospice Center to provide for hospice patients who need acute care intervention; and

WHEREAS, in order for San Diego Hospice to build and operate an acute inpatient facility, they need to be licensed as a hospital; and

WHEREAS, current law requires licensed hospitals to provide surgery and anesthesiology on site and these are expensive components to build and operate, and are rarely used for hospice patients; and

WHEREAS, hospice would contract with local hospitals that could provide such services if and when they were needed; and

WHEREAS, legislative efforts during 1988 to resolve this matter have become embroiled in technical deadlines, and San Diego Hospice now finds itself facing its own deadline for funding support; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Hospice has requested the State Department of Health Services to administratively waive the requirements for surgery and anesthesiology so that they may be licensed as an acute care facility, and this would enable them to begin construction and keep the funding commitment from the Kroc Foundation; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the City Council express its support for San Diego Hospice's waiver request, and that the Intergovernmental Relations Department be directed to work to obtain the waiver and review the need for additional legislative efforts; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego that this Council, for and on behalf of said City, hereby expresses its support for the request by the San Diego Hospice that the Department of Health Services administratively waive certain requirements for surgery and anesthesiology facilities and grant San Diego Hospice a license to operate as an acute care inpatient hospital.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Intergovernmental Relations
Department be and it is hereby directed to provide necessary
assistance in obtaining said waiver and to review the need for
additional legislative efforts, and to report back to the Rules
Committee in November 1988 on this matter.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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