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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 273428Adopted on 467081989

WHEREAS, GE Plastics, a division of the General Electric Company is headquartered in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, with branch offices in dozens of locations throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, in past years, employees of GE Plastics, at their annual marketing meeting, have one day dedicated to a "team building" event which in the past has included such items as building canoes and racing them, and building small houses in the desert and sleeping in them; and

WHEREAS, GE Plastics decided that the 1989 team building event would be a major community project, something that would be for a good cause, for a reputable organization and a project that could keep hundreds of people busy for a full day; and

WHEREAS, San Diego was to be the site of the 1989 annual meeting, and after developing criteria and evaluating a number of possible projects, the Copley Family YMCA was chosen; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 1989, nearly 480 people went through 550 gallons of paint, employed 25 wheelbarrows, 400 pieces of sandpaper and 20,000 square feet of tile, and worked 3,840 man-hours or approximately 96 forty-hour work weeks compressed into one day; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of GE Plastics landscaped, dug irrigation ditches, built a retaining wall, reseeded a soccer

field, carpeted, tiled, painted, installed LEXAN glazing, put up basketball hoops and restored a giant mural; and

WHEREAS, GE Plastics and their fellow electrical division have also renovated the interior of the San Diego Armed Services YMCA including 271 rooms and associated facilities, the main floor including the lobby and game room; and

WHEREAS, the renovation will allow the San Diego Armed Services YMCA to dramatically improve its out of building programs to young military personnel and their families, including child and spousal abuse counseling, hospital services, juvenile counseling and services to military housing neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, by all accounts, as grateful as the community is, GE Plastics itself considered it a wonderful experience, one which included business lessons in planning, teamwork, the setting and achievement of goals and how helping others made them feel about themselves, about leaving something standing, with pride, that represents their efforts; and

WHEREAS, the lasting contribution of the GE Plastics project goes beyond what is visible; that is it involves pride and self-confidence in the youth of the community, a rise in morale, and a general good feeling because the end product looks so good; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that the men and women of GE Plastics be commended for their hard work and dedication, innovation and cooperation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that GE Plastics is hereby applauded and commended for its accomplishments in providing, through a concentrated effort, a renovated and needed recreational facility for our community.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

Senior Chief Deputy

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