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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 274418

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WHEREAS, the sale to and consumption by street alcoholics of low cost, high-alcohol content, fortified wines has created a problem of public inebriation and encouraged an unacceptable level of disorderly and violent acts, litter, vandalism and criminal activity in inner city neighborhoods in California; and

WHEREAS, the bottles containing certain fortified wines are often in small sizes to fit easily into a pocket; are usually green in color to allow for easy identification; and come with a cap rather than a cork to allow for ease of opening; and

WHEREAS, these certain fortified wines with names including but not limited to "Thunderbird," "Night Train Express," "Wild Irish Rose," and "M/D 20-20," are produced with a high-alcohol content in the range of seventeen (17) to twenty (20) percent, aged two (2) years or less, and sold for a very low price; and

WHEREAS, these certain fortified wines are distributed almost exclusively in inner city, low-income neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, these certain fortified wines are manufactured primarily for the poor, the homeless, and the skid-row individual; and

WHEREAS, these certain fortified wines have no socially redeeming values; and

WHEREAS, the sale of these certain fortified wines contributes to the degradation of inner city neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, eliminating the availability of these products will assist citizens in improving the quality of life in inner city, and low income neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, eliminating the availability of these products will assist recovering alcoholics in preventing relapse; and

WHEREAS, eliminating the availability of these products will increase the demand for comprehensive alcohol detoxification, recovery and rehabilitation programs which address the many problems associated with public inebriation and alcoholism; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego that the General Assembly of the League of California Cities assembled in annual conference in San Francisco, October 22 - 25, 1989, urge the State Legislature to prohibit or further restrict the manufacture and sale of these certain fortified wine products, and concurrently to support strengthening comprehensive alcohol detoxification, recovery and rehabilitation programs.

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