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WHEREAS, the Salk Institute ranked first among the world's highest impact performers in molecular biology and genetics in a recent ranking by Science Watch, based on papers published and cited between 1988 and 1992; and

WHEREAS, the Salk Institute's top ranking among research institutions is based in part on the superior science of its researchers, classified in a separate Science Watch ranking which included three of the Institute's most cited scientists; and

WHEREAS, the Salk Institute's top ranking scientists include Dr. Ronald Evans, Dr. Tony Hunter, and Dr. Inder Verma; and

WHEREAS, the Salk Institute was founded in 1962 by Dr. Jonas Salk, the man who created the first polio vaccine, with the financial assistance of the March of Dimes and a gift of land from The City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, from the original nucleus of scientists, the
Institute's Senior Faculty has grown to 47, with more than 200
M.D.s and PH.Ds completing the scientific staff; and

WHEREAS, the Salk Institute's two broad areas of focus are neuroscience: studies of the brain and how it develops and studies to uncover the genetic basis of cancer, AIDS, and other devastating conditions and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, the Salk Institute plays a vital role in the biomedical field by providing the kind of molecular and cellular

information upon which all major biomedical advances are based; and

WHEREAS, the Salk Institute and its researchers are deserving of recognition for their instrumental role in assuring the continuation of scientific discovery dedicated to the betterment of the human condition; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, hereby recognizes the superior ranking and caliber of excellence attained by the Salk Institute by proclaiming January 31, 1994 to be "SALK INSTITUTE DAY" in San Diego.

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