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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 283602

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WHEREAS, alcohol is the number one drug problem among the nation's youth; and

WHEREAS, nearly one-third of the nation's high school seniors have had five or more drinks in a row during the past two weeks; and

WHEREAS, purchase and possession of alcohol by people under the age of twenty-one is illegal in all fifty states; and

WHEREAS, approximately two-thirds of teenagers who drink report that they can buy their own alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, use of alcohol is associated with the leading causes of death and injury among youth, including motor vehicle crashes, homicides and suicides; and

WHEREAS, drinking at an early age is an indicator of future alcohol problems; and

WHEREAS, enforcement of the legal drinking age is an adult responsibility; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, does hereby call upon all citizens, parents, governmental agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, hospitals and schools in The City of San Diego to help raise awareness about this critical public health issue and join in "drawing the line" to prevent underage drinking.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that April 1994 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH" in The City of San Diego.

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