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ADOPTED ON ____AUG 081994

WHEREAS, Reverend Robert C. Ard is the founding and present Pastor of Christ Church of San Diego, which serves the spiritual and physical needs of many truly disadvantaged and unemployed through its "Come Eat With Us" Program, Community Food Pantry, Community Closet and Community Blood Bank; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Ard was the Executive Director of the Harambee House, a residential therapeutic program for delinquent male juveniles ages 13 through 17; and

WHEREAS, the program taught morals upon which they may build their lives with emphasis on traditional values and it literally assisted hundreds of young men to become responsible and responsive members of society; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Ard served as former Vice President and Treasurer of the Southeast Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, a member of Citizens Advisory Commission on Racial Integration in 1977-78, which drafted the fundamental concepts of the "San Diego Plan for Racial Integration 1977-82, and was Chair of the Political Action Committee; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Ard was a founding member and the first Chairman of the County Jails Clergy Credential Committee which granted qualified members of Clergy access to inmates on the same basis as an attorney or probation officer; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Ard is the founding member and President

of the San Diego Black Leadership Council, an organization which includes within its membership all the African-American elected officials, and the Presidents/Executive Directors of the majority of the African-American community organizations and agencies; and

WHEREAS, Reverend and Sister Ard's Appreciation Celebration will celebrate 34 years of marriage, 29 years of ministry, and 22 years of service to the San Diego community; 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, does commend Reverend Robert C. Ard and Sister Ard for their many years of dedication and devotion to the entire City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that July 31, 1994 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "PASTOR AND SISTER ARD'S APPRECIATION DAY" in The City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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Stuart H. Swett Senior Chief Deputy

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