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RESOLUTION NUMBER R-

ADOPTED ON NOV 14 1994

WHEREAS, Bern and Carmelita Swarts have been residents of Pacific Beach for over fifty years; and

WHEREAS, the Swarts have been active participants in the Pacific Beach Town Council for over thirty-five years, even paying their dues and keeping in touch while they were in Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, Carmelita occupied the position of Honorary Mayor of Pacific Beach in 1977 and 1978 displaying strong leadership while setting a fine example of public service; and

WHEREAS, Bern and Carmelita together are well known as "the watchdogs of Mission Bay" because of their vast knowledge of the area as well as their extensive collection of documents detailing the bay's history; and

WHEREAS, the Swarts have been advocates throughout the development of Mission Bay Park to ensure that all users of the park be consistently represented; and

WHEREAS, Bern and Carmelita long fought for the protection of the Kendall-Frost preserve, the last remaining natural wetland in Mission Bay Park; and

WHEREAS, it was because of the exceptional job the Swarts performed as "watchdogs" of Mission Bay's habitat areas that the city agreed to purchase the Frost property and add it to the Kendall-Frost preserve thus protecting this key part of Mission Bay as a valuable habitat buffer for all time; and

WHEREAS, Carmelita has been called the "Mother of Mission Bay" because of her involvement in the development of the largest aquatic park in the world from the beginning; and


WHEREAS, Bern and Carmelita have been active in many other civic activities including the successful effort to urge the state legislature to name BENITOITE as the state gem of California; 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 commends Bern and Carmelita Swarts for their ongoing commitment and dedication to the City of San Diego and the community of Pacific Beach.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that November 14, 1994 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "**BERN AND CARMELITA SWARTS DAY**" in the City of San Diego.

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