

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 286391

ADOPTED ON OCT 09 1995

WHEREAS, the YWCA has a long history of empowering women and families and fostering racial justice and has been working since 1907 to increase the role, status and influence of women and girls in their family, workplace and community; and

WHEREAS, through their 374 local member organizations at more than 4,000 sites in all 50 states, the YWCA annually serves more than one million women, girls and their families with programs and services including battered women's shelters and counseling, child care, support to victims of rape and sexual assault, job training, sports and fitness, and legal advocacy; and

WHEREAS, the YWCA's Week Without Violence campaign, which will be observed October 15 through 22, 1995, will strive to heighten awareness about violence in our society while presenting practical and sustainable alternatives and solutions; and

WHEREAS, each day of the YWCA Week Without Violence will highlight an area of concern beginning with a day of remembrance for victims of violence, followed by days focusing on protecting our children, school safety, violence against women, violence among men, the elimination of racism and hate crimes, and culminating with a look at replacing violence with sports and fitness; and

WHEREAS, in their effort to eradicate violence in San Diego,

the Mayor and City Council have made public safety a high priority, and as a result, the City has seen its first decline in more than a decade in all areas of violent crime, including gang violence; 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 hereby proclaim October 15 through 22, 1995 to be "YWCA WEEK WITHOUT VIOLENCE" in The City of San Diego and furthermore endorses and supports the efforts of the YWCA to develop creative solutions and alternatives to violence.

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