

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 286692

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WHEREAS, last year 16,000 Americans were killed and almost half a million were injured in impaired driving crashes; and

WHEREAS, that's one death about every 30 minutes; and

WHEREAS, many were innocent victims, not the impaired drivers themselves; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, society has experienced a dramatic shift in attitude regarding impaired driving, thanks to the combined efforts of law enforcement and community groups; and

WHEREAS, society no longer tolerates those who choose to drink and drive; and

WHEREAS, Americans will not tolerate the senseless death and injury on our nation's roadways; and

WHEREAS, drivers arrested for driving under the influence can expect no sympathy from the police, employers, or neighbors because driving under the influence is unacceptable; and

WHEREAS, during the holidays, San Diego residents can take a stand against impaired drivers by joining law enforcement, businesses, government agencies and private citizens in keeping their vehicle headlights on as they drive during the day on Friday, December 15, 1995 to participate in "Lights on for Life," an observance designed to remember persons killed and injured in alcohol-related crashes, as a reminder of law-enforcement's watchful eye on drunk drivers; and

WHEREAS, "Lights on for Life" is the showcase event for National Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month held in December; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council hereby proclaims Friday, December 15, 1995 to be "LIGHTS ON FOR LIFE DAY" in San Diego, as a memorial to the victims of impaired driving and as a reminder of the dangers of drunk and drugged driving.

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