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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 286831 ADOPTED ON JAN 29 1996

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bonnie Jean Ward was raised in Topeka, Kansas, where she began her education; and

WHEREAS, she moved to San Diego with her husband in 1950, where she completed her education at several San Diego area colleges; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Ward have been married for 46 years, with one son, Gregory Ward; and

WHEREAS, when asked about the secret of her long marriage to her husband, Vernon Ward, a retired postal worker, Mrs. Ward said, "Our deep abiding faith in God has sustained us and has been the guiding factor," and

WHEREAS, the Wards settled in Valencia Park where they still live; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ward has lived the life most women can only dream about -- educator, volunteer, counselor, owner/manager of a clothing store, assistant store manager for a major department store, board member of cultural, religious and civic organizations are just a few of the hats she has worn; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ward adds to her plethora of awards and honors
-- in 1990 she was named Citizen of the Month in the 44th
Congressional District by then Congressman Jim Bates; and

WHEREAS, she has managed to cram all these activities into her life while being a devoted wife and mother; and

WHEREAS, the Wards have been members of Calvary Baptist Church ever since they first came to San Diego, they are very faithful church members who actively work in the church; 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 commend Mrs. Bonnie Jean Ward for her many years of commitment and devotion, not only to the Council district but to the community as a whole.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that December 21, 1995 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "MRS. BONNIE JEAN WARD 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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