

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 287486

ADOPTED ON JUN 10 1996

WHEREAS, Ms. Gerri Warren, a native of Avon Park, Florida, moved to San Diego in 1960, married to John E. Warren, and to this union three daughters and one son were born; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Warren has a B.A. in Business Administration, past president of the San Diego branch NAACP, served on board of directors of organizations such as Human Relations Commission, United Way, Boy Scouts of America, Field Representative to President Pro Tempore of the California State Senate, and Senator Jim Mills, also founded the Black Personnel Associations, that assist many African Americans to get employment; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Warren and John moved to Washington, D.C. in 1979, where she worked as Special Assistant to Mayor Marion Barry, an elected member of the D.C. Statehood Commission, where she will be remembered for naming the proposed state "New Columbia," and also worked as Executive Vice President to the D.C. Chamber of Commerce, while running a small business of her own; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Warren is co-publisher of the thirty-five (35) year old San Diego Voice & Viewpoint newspaper and President/CEO of the San Diego County Black Chamber of Commerce, and chairs the Small Business Task Force for the Fourth Council District; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Warren is dedicated to increasing the opportunity and involvement of women in business, serves on the

Board of Directors of the U.S. Black Chamber of Commerce, the Vice President of the California Black Chamber of Commerce, Small Bankers CDC and Board of Directors of the Greater Chamber of Commerce, an active member of Inner-City Faith Fellowship 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, hereby proclaims Friday, June 14, 1996, to be "MRS. GERRI WARREN DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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