

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 287894

ADOPTED ON OCT 07 1996

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women of all ages in San Diego and one of the leading causes of death among women aged 35-55; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 1790 women will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer in San Diego in 1996; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society is the nation's leading community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a majority health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives from cancer, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service; and

WHEREAS, it has been proven that early detection and treatment significantly increases women's chances for survival from breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego can take a leading role in forming effective partnerships with community organizations and professionals to assist women in fighting breast cancer; and

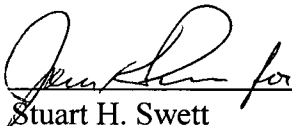
WHEREAS, by working together, the American Cancer Society and The City of San Diego can make considerable progress toward changing the course of the disease through early detection and by supporting basic research into the causes of breast cancer, thereby saving hundreds of lives and millions of dollars each year; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that beginning on October 8, 1996, this Council will commit to fight against breast cancer through increasing awareness of

the disease, and by informing women about how they can best protect themselves from it.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in recognition of the need to learn more about breast cancer, the month of October 1996 be and it is hereby proclaimed to be "**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**" in The City of San Diego.

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