

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 287929

ADOPTED ON OCT 21 1996

WHEREAS, Audrey Patterson-Tyler was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, married to Ronald Tyler for 34 years and to this union they were blessed with four children, eight grandchildren and one great grandchild and many loving relations; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patterson-Tyler moved to San Diego in 1964, and taught in the San Diego City School System for 15 years, founded "Mickey's Missiles," a nationally and internationally known track team that produced two Olympic Sprinters; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patterson-Tyler volunteered her coaching and training services to boys and girls of every racial, economic and social background, founder of the Martin Luther King Freedom Run in San Diego; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patterson-Tyler a member of the 1984 Olympic Spirit Team and member of the Southern California Olympians, the Pioneer and Living Legend of Women's Track and Field, became a national champion when she won the 200 meter race at the Olympic trials in 1948; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patterson-Tyler the first African American woman to win an Olympic Medal since the modern games started a century ago, the first woman in U.S. history to run the new 220 yard dash and the first Black woman ever to win an Olympic Medal (Bronze); and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patterson-Tyler managed the U.S. Track Team when it toured the USSR and Germany in 1969, the U.S. Women's Track Team when it competed with USSR at Berkeley, California in 1967 and was head coach of the U.S. Women's Track Team when it

against the USSR at Austin, Texas in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patterson-Tyler a freedom fighter and community activist, the recipient of many awards including San Diego Woman of the Year, Press Club Headliner, Outstanding Contribution to Youth, the Sojourner Truth Award (National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women), where at the age of 69 passed away Friday, August 23, 1996; 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 Audrey "Mickey" Patterson-Tyler for her many years of commitment and devotion to the City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that October 21, 1996 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "AUDREY 'MICKEY' PATTERSON-TYLER DAY" in San Diego.

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