(R-97-881)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 288377 ADOPTED ON MAR 0 4 1997

WHEREAS, on the night of January 21, 1995 the lives of two young men, Tariq Khamisa and Tony Hicks, were tragically destroyed when Tariq Khamisa, a college student with a promising future was shot and killed by Tony Hicks, a 14 -year old boy; and

WHEREAS, Tariq's father, Azim Khamisa, a San Diego businessman, formed the Tariq Khamisa Foundation in the memory of his son, with the stated mission of reducing youth violence in The City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, Ples Felix, a resident of San Diego and the grandfather of Tony

Hicks, accepted Azim Khamisa's invitation to join the Tariq Khamisa Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the distinctive alliance of these two men has resulted in a powerful commitment to educate youth on the consequences of violence; and

WHEREAS, Azim and Ples and members and volunteers of the Tariq Khamisa Foundation have embarked on a crusade to increase awareness of youth violence, seek its causes, find solutions, and present educational programs to promote and encourage change; and

WHEREAS, the memory of Tariq Khamisa lives on in The Tariq Khamisa Foundation's pledge to reduce youth violence; 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 honor the memory of Tariq

Khamisa by recognizing Tariq's birthday on March 6, 1997.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that March 6, 1997, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "Tariq Khamisa Day" in The City of San Diego.

APPROVED: CASEY GWINN, City Attorney

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Stuart H. Swett Deputy City Deputy

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