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WHEREAS, the Negro Baseball League was denied the opportunity to play on integrated teams, or to be a part of Major League Baseball until Jackie Robinson broke the color barrier in 1947; and

WHEREAS, the Negro Baseball League made major contributions to Black History despite being forced to use segregated transportation and lodging; and

WHEREAS, former Negro League baseball players Pepper Sharp, Neal Henderson, Gene Richardson, and Bo Campbell reside in The City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that their contribution to our community and our heritage be recognized; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that February 25, 1997 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "NEGRO LEAGUE BASEBALL DAY" in The City of San Diego.

APPROVED: CASEY GWINN, City Attorney

Bv

Stuart H. Swett Deputy City Deputy

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