

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 288573

ADOPTED ON APR 28 1997

WHEREAS, Dignity of San Diego has provided moral and spiritual support and outreach to gays and lesbians for the last 25 years, and is celebrating this milestone at a Silver Anniversary Banquet on Saturday, May 3, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Dignity of San Diego is the only organization in San Diego devoted to the affirmation of gay and lesbian Catholics and has been a pioneer in the gay and lesbian community since 1972; and

WHEREAS, Dignity of San Diego found its humble beginnings in 1972 in the basement of the Catholic Cardijn Center in Old Town, and began its ministry to people who sought refuge, support and understanding; and

WHEREAS, Dignity of San Diego provides a healthy social atmosphere where gays and lesbians can attend weekly mass and potluck social events where they can foster lasting relationships and further develop their faith in God; and

WHEREAS, Dignity of San Diego as part of its ministry to those effected by HIV/AIDS collects and donates food and other resources every week to Special Delivery and sponsors a monthly Healing Mass for those who are in need of special spiritual healing; and

WHEREAS, Dignity of San Diego tirelessly strives to educate the general public and thereby improves the quality of life for all of San Diego's citizens; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, does hereby commend Dignity of San Diego for 25 years of exemplary community service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that May 3, 1997 is hereby proclaimed to be "**Dignity of San Diego Day**" in The City of San Diego.

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