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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 288846

ADOPTED ON JUN 30 1997

WHEREAS, Rancho Bernardo's 28th annual Spirit of the Fourth observance of Independence Day is dedicated to the Legion of Valor of the United States, and this year's theme is entitled "Above and Beyond the Call of Duty;" and

WHEREAS, eligibility for membership in the Legion of Valor is reserved for recipients of our nation's two highest decorations for Valor, the Congressional Medal of Honor and the Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross and Air Force Cross medals; and

WHEREAS, Legion of Valor medals are awarded to members of the armed forces who, while engaged with the enemy, forgave their personal safety and accomplished their missions with great strength and mental endurance; and

WHEREAS, those who survived their deeds of heroism are few, with less than 160 Medal of Honor recipients, along with 940 Distinguished Service Cross, 206 Navy Cross and 103 Air Force Cross recipients living in the United States as of March 29, 1995; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper on the day we celebrate our nation's independence that we acknowledge the sacrifice made for our freedom by honoring 22 of Southern California's Legion of Valor Members who will be attending and participating in the Rancho Bernardo's Spirit of the Fourth ceremonies on Friday, July 4, 1997 at 10:30 a.m. in Rancho Bernardo's very own Webb Park; 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, commemorate the deeds of those whose conspicuous

gallantry and intrepidity at risk of life was "Above and Beyond the Call of Duty."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Council, on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, recognizes the Legion of Valor Honorees and hereby proclaims the week of June 30 through July 5, 1997 to be "**Legion of Valor Week**" in The City of San Diego.

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