

ADOPTED ON SEP 16 1997

WHEREAS, at the Fifteenth Annual John S. Lyons Memorial Banquet, the Honorable Edward M. Lawson will receive the 1997 JOHNS Fellowship Award in recognition of his outstanding record of contributions on behalf of working women and men, as well as his community and country; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lawson, has served in the Federal Parliament of Canada for twenty seven years representing British Columbia. Senator Lawson sits as an Independent member of the Senate; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lawson had a parallel career for 40 years as a Trade Union Representative with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, starting as a Business Agent on Construction and serving on various capacities over the years; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lawson was elected as an International Vice-President of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, a position he held for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lawson founded the Canadian Conference of Teamsters and served as its Director for 14 years; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lawson retired from the Labor Movement in January of 1992, devoting his full attention to Senatorial duties; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Senator Lawson has been active in many charitable and community organizations throughout North America including Variety Club, Lions Society for Crippled Children, Kinsmen, and Child Help USA; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lawson is considered by all as a humorist who enjoys sharing his writing and performing humor to others, serving the JOHNS Foundation for

many years as the Master of Ceremonies of its Annual Dinner; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lawson exemplifies the high values, standards, and principles of the work of the late John S. Lyons in community service, and it is appropriate at this time that his efforts be acknowledged; 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, takes great pleasure in congratulating Senator Edward M. Lawson on his receipt of the 1997 JOHNS Fellowship Award in recognition of his outstanding record of contributions to the enhancement of the quality of life in both the United States and Canada, and extends to him best wishes for continued success.

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