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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 289330

ADOPTED ON OCT 2 8 1997

WHEREAS, on November 2, 1997, the Coalition for Adoption Reform and Education will host San Diego's first "Celebrate Adoption" community event; and

WHEREAS, "Celebrate Adoption" is a public awareness effort which will support current governmental reforms such as the Governor's Adoption Initiative and President Clinton's "Adoption 2002" project; and

WHEREAS, adoption has many personal and societal advantages, especially for our children in need of loving homes and families; and

WHEREAS, San Diego is the first California city to officially celebrate and help raise public awareness on the outstanding benefits of adoption; and

WHEREAS, November has been recognized as National Adoption Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, in honor of National Adoption Awareness Month, the Coalition for Adoption Reform and Education will join together with families, organizations and leaders of our community to observe this special occasion; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council hereby proclaims Sunday, November 2, 1997 to be "CELEBRATE ADOPTION DAY" in San Diego to celebrate the positive benefits of adoption for all of us.

APPROVED: CASEY GWINN, City Attorney

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