

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 289768

ADOPTED ON FEB 24 1998

WHEREAS, on December 12, 1997 Dwight Booker, Sr. and Christopher Patrick Owen, both City of San Diego employees, showed dedication to the public good, as well as bravery and profound concern for the safety of fellow San Diegans; and

WHEREAS, two vicious Rottweilers, who either escaped from their owner or had been dumped at Chollas Community Park attacked George Marshall, a retired firefighter who was taking his morning walk, without warning; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Owen, a City of San Diego heavy equipment operator, drove by and discovered the dogs in the process of mauling Mr. Marshall, who was in grave danger; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Owen was resourceful and took swift action by banging on the outside of his vehicle and shouting until the animals released the man and ran away; and

WHEREAS, moments later the animals found their next victim, retired school administrator and former Marine Ed Fletcher who was jogging; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Booker, who was driving a street sweeper, jumped from the driver's seat and began to bang a wrench against the outside of the vehicle until he frightened the dogs away; and

WHEREAS, when confronted by a dangerous situation Mr. Booker and Mr. Owen acted bravely and unselfishly, coming to the aid of those in need; and

WHEREAS, their actions embody the spirit of public service and the goal of neighborhood safety; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that February 24, 1998 be and is hereby declared to be "**DWIGHT BOOKER, SR. & CHRISTOPHER PATRICK OWEN DAY**" in the City of San Diego, and extends a heartfelt commendation to each man for his extraordinary actions in the face of grave danger.

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