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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 289869

ADOPTED ON MAR 24 1998

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Gilbert E. Chavez was born in 1932 in Ontario, California, son of Margarito Chavez and Ramona Espinoza, and attended St. Francis Seminary and was ordained March 19, 1960 in the Immaculata Church on the Campus of the University of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Gilbert E. Chavez continued his studies in philosophy and psychology in California and served as a teacher at Aquinas High School, San Bernardino, California as well as a Chaplain at NORCO Drug Rehabilitation Center; and

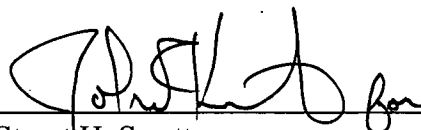
WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Chavez became pastor of St. Anne's parish in 1969 and, as such, played a crucially supportive role in the establishment of Barrio Station; and

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Gilbert E. Chavez became pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in San Ysidro and was named Monsignor a year later and educated his parishioners on the plight of migrant farm workers becoming one of the most outspoken and ardent supporters of Cesar E. Chavez, America's greatest Hispanic humanitarian; and

WHEREAS, The Most Reverend Gilbert E. Chavez rushed to comfort the farm workers and their families upon the passing of Cesar Chavez who feared the loss of their jobs and saw darkness without the protection, love and guidance of Cesar thereby restoring a sense of hope and reminding all that human dignity is something that is discovered by ourselves not given by others; 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, hereby designates March 26, 1998, as "**THE MOST REVEREND GILBERT E. CHAVEZ DAY**" in San Diego.

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