RESOLUTION NUMBER R-___ 290095 ___

ADOPTED ON ___ MAY 12 1998 ___

WHEREAS, the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center will celebrate its 25th anniversary and the grand opening of its expanded facility on Saturday, May 16, 1998 ; and

WHEREAS, the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center opened its doors to the public on March 10, 1973 on the Prado in Balboa Park with a state of the art Space Theater and Science Center Exhibition Galleries, offering more than 60 hands-on exhibits that encourage visitor participation; and

WHEREAS, the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center recently completed a $13.3 million expansion of the new facility under the organized leadership of the Board of Directors and Dr. Jeffrey Kirsch, Executive Director; and

WHEREAS, the expansion of the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center has doubled the size of the museum's exhibition area, and added Sci Tours, a new motion-based simulation experience featuring fantastic voyages, and the Nierman Challenger Learning Center that will simulate a space mission; and

WHEREAS, the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center plays host to over 675,000 visitors each year including over 110,000 students from throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center offers a variety of educational activities to students and the greater community and includes lectures, visits to the Science Center, and activities and cooperative learning associated with the Nierman Challenger Learning Center; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, does hereby commend the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center for 25 years of presenting quality science and technology education and entertainment to the San Diego community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that May 16, 1998 is hereby proclaimed to be **"Reuben H. Fleet Science Center Day"** in The City of San Diego.

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