

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 290292

ADOPTED ON JUN 29 1998

WHEREAS, under the direction of Bob Heider, Safe Streets Now! has operated successfully in San Diego since January of 1995; and

WHEREAS, Safe Streets Now! uses a grassroots community organizing tool based on state nuisance laws that affirm the right to live in peaceful and quiet neighborhoods and hold property owners responsible for nuisances occurring on their premises; and

WHEREAS, by offering training on how to document, mediate, and effectively contact the responsible party of a problem property Safe Streets Now! empowers citizens and teaches communities how to access the small claims court process as a last resort to entice property owners to resolve documented problems on their property; and

WHEREAS, Safe Streets Now! has helped to close more than 450 cases involving drug houses, gang activity, unruly neighbors, barking or menacing dogs, problem liquor stores and hotels; and

WHEREAS, Safe Streets Now! has succeeded in helping citizens reclaim their communities and maintain neighborhoods as good places in which to live and work; NOW,

THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that this Council does hereby recognize the significant contributions of Bob Heider, SAFE STREETS NOW! and the

hundreds of San Diegans who participated in the program to ensure that San Diego is America's  
Finest City.

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