

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 290396

ADOPTED ON JUN 29 1998

WHEREAS, Mr. George Robinson was born June 28, 1908 in Prescott, Arkansas and was the first of ten children born to Tom and Hattie Washington Robinson; and

WHEREAS, as a young child he recalls how he would converse with his grandparents, who were former slaves, about their family heritage; and

WHEREAS, in the 20's he became fascinated with cars and took various jobs cleaning auto mechanic garages and eventually learned the trade of auto mechanics; and

WHEREAS, in 1946 he decided to move to California in search of a better life for his wife and children; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson developed a second love: baseball; and

WHEREAS, he played "Sandlot Baseball" for a number of year; his brother, Floyd Robinson, played with The American Negro League Baseball Team with legends such as Satchel Paige and Josh Gibson and his oldest son, Floyd, played for the Minor League San Diego Padres in the mid 50's, then advanced to Professional Baseball and played for the Chicago White Sox in 1959; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson is a member of Phillips Temple C.M.E. Church and is an active member of numerous organizations including: San Diego Metro AARP # 4916, Forever Young "Seasoned" Seniors Consumer Club, Retired Seniors Volunteer Program (RSVP), Vice-Chair Fourth District Seniors Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. George Robinson, blessed with a long, happy, healthy life will be

honored on his ninetieth birthday, with a community celebration at the Tubman-Chavez Multi-cultural Family Center on June 28, 1998; 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 commends Mr. George Robinson for a lifetime of strong leadership and never ending spirit of community involvement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that June 28, 1998 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "Mr. George Robinson Appreciation Day" in The City of San Diego.

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