

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 290823

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WHEREAS, the San Diego City Council recognizes that domestic violence is the number one cause of injury to women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in The City of San Diego, over 12,000 cases were reported to law enforcement in 1997 and it is generally acknowledged that domestic violence is seriously under-reported and undiagnosed; and

WHEREAS, the domestic violence also effects our youth and for the last two years, the Domestic Violence Council has held teen summits to address the issue of teen relationship violence prevention; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is devastating to the children who witness it, boys who are three times as likely to abuse their wives, and girls who witness abuse are more likely to tolerate abuse as adults; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Domestic Violence Council continues to work to coordinate service providers, the medical community, law enforcement and criminal justice efforts, domestic violence advocates and educators, and all those who work to stop the cycle of abuse; and The City of San Diego is an official co-sponsor of the annual San Diego Domestic Violence Intervention Conference sponsored by the Domestic Violence Council; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego City Council has supported a policy to be a more responsive employer to reduce workplace violence and assist employee victims of domestic violence; 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 encourages support of the San Diego Domestic Violence Council and proclaims October 1, 1998 to be "**Work to End Domestic Violence and End Teen Relationship Violence Day**" in The City of San Diego.

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