

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 291111

ADOPTED ON JAN 11 1999

WHEREAS, four years ago, Ricky Williams arrived at the University of Texas as a spark plug from Coach Jerry Varner's 1994 Patrick Henry High Patriots; and

WHEREAS, the story began with Alvarado Pop Warner Coach Tom Murray being the first coach who said, "*He's got talent;*" and

WHEREAS, the nation's outstanding collegiate football player and Heisman Trophy Winner Ricky Williams became an asterisk in collegiate football record books by breaking Tony Dorsett's NCAA Division I-A career rushing record in his farewell game in Austin, Texas on November 27, 1998; and

WHEREAS, shunning the NFL to play his senior season and complete his college education, Ricky Williams provides an opportunity for all San Diegans to remember on and off the field — make sure the door not only stays open, but swings open even wider; and

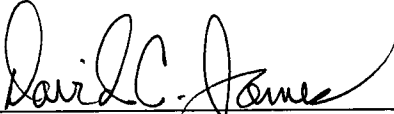
WHEREAS, by divine providence, the motto "*Run Ricky Run*" will always and forever be associated with the all-time leading rusher and NCAA career all purpose yardage leader, Ricky Williams; and

WHEREAS, San Diego is now tied with Dallas for first place among U.S. cities producing Heisman Trophy winners - Ricky Williams, Marcus Allen and Rashaan Salaam;

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, does hereby honor and congratulate our nation's 1998 Heisman Trophy Winner, Ricky Williams, and proclaim January 11, 1999 as "**Ricky Williams Day**" in San Diego.

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