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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 291647

ADOPTED ON MAY 24 1999

WHEREAS, on January 18, 1999, Hank Davenport was sailing his 17-foot sloop off the coast of Point Loma when he fell overboard and soon found himself being pulled under by the weight of his water-soaked clothing; and

WHEREAS, seemingly from nowhere, Mike Gastelum and his son, Eric, came to the rescue, riding over the waves on their personal water craft; and

WHEREAS, without regard for their own safety, Mike and Eric Gastelum pulled Hank to safety, returned him to his boat and then went on their way as though nothing unusual had transpired; and

WHEREAS, by his own admission, Hank would certainly have drowned had it not been for the quick actions of Mike and Eric Gastelum; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of promoting better water safety and exemplifying heroic acts of local citizens, Mike and Eric Gastelum are to be recognized and commended for their valiant efforts; 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 proclaim Monday, May 3, 1999 to be "**MIKE**

**& ERIC GASTELUM DAY**” in San Diego, in recognition of their unselfish bravery and uncommon courage in rescuing Hank Davenport.

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