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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R-

ADOPTED ON **AUG 0 2 1999** 

WHEREAS, the purposes and objectives of the United States Lifesaving Association (USLA) are to establish and maintain high standards of professional surf and open water lifesaving to maximize public safety; educate the public regarding water safety in a natural aquatic environment through a program of preventative awareness; cooperate with lifesaving agencies, and actively support the general improvement of lifesaving and humanitarian causes; and

WHEREAS, at the local level, the San Diego Lifesaving Association, provides safety lectures to schools, military groups, civic groups, and those attending public events in addition to the San Diego Lifeguard Service which provides public safety services to users of San Diego's beaches, coastline, and ocean waterways from Point Loma to La Jolla including Ocean Beach, Mission Beach, Pacific Beach, Wind-n-Sea, the Children's Pool, La Jolla Cove, La Jolla Shores, Black's Beach, and Mission Bay; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, the USLA has sponsored events, meetings, educational seminars, and competitions that bring lifeguards together in order to help foster exchange of information and promote water safety; and

WHEREAS, the annual USLA Lifeguard National Competition sustains and uplifts employee morale, stimulates personal interest in rescue skill training, and acquaints the general public with water safety procedures and skills used daily by professional lifeguards to advance public safety at the beach; and

WHEREAS, it is the further objective of the USLA to standardize the rules and regulations governing national and regional championship events, thereby contributing toward more harmonious relationships among the various lifeguard agencies and associated USLA Chapters; and

WHEREAS, the 1999 San Diego team consists of 60 professional lifeguards from agencies throughout the region who have demonstrated their skills in a variety of competitive disciplines and represent the best of the lifesaving profession, as well as showcasing our city and the abilities of our lifeguards on a national level; 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 August 2, 1999 to be "San Diego National Lifesaving Competition Team Day" in recognition of the men and women from San Diego who will compete in Cape May, New Jersey on August 6-7, 1999.

APPROVED: CASEY GWINN, City Attorney

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