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WHEREAS, Project Open Mind is a multi-year, multi-media campaign of PFLAG—Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays—started in 1995 to help educate Americans about the dangers of hate speech; and

WHEREAS, the basic message of Project Open Mind is that hate speech against lesbian, gay and bisexual people has devastating, often violent consequences for families; and

WHEREAS, Project Open Mind was piloted in six U.S. cities--Tulsa, Atlanta, Houston, Seattle, Minneapolis-St. Paul, and St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, through these pilot programs an unprecedented number of mainstream

Americans learned about the dangers of hate speech, and PFLAG chapters in these cities learned how to help their communities address the dangerous myths and misperceptions about lesbian, gay and bisexual people, and PFLAG countered misinformation that often fuels hate speech and the violent hate crimes associated with such speech; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, September 14, 1999, PFLAG will kick-off Project Open Mind in San Diego County; 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 recognize PFLAG, for their contributions for initiating Project Open Mind, and hereby proclaims September 14, 1999, as "Project Open

Mind Day" in the City of San Diego.

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Deputy City Attorney

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