

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- **292218**

ADOPTED ON ~~SEP 27 1999~~

WHEREAS, history teaches us that a community of people is judged by the way we treat and respect each other, and the greatest and most progressive society established thus far has been here in the United States of America where we value and defend the right of our citizens to organize in support of or opposition to issues that affect their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the United Domestic Workers of America was founded in 1979 through the inspiration of the late labor leader Cesar Chavez, who envisioned a union that extended beyond the farms and fields to empower the poorest of all workers; and

WHEREAS, the United Domestic Workers of America is only the third organization in labor history to be initiated by people of color, and was created exclusively to represent domestics and other home care workers; and

WHEREAS, the struggle to institute the United Domestic Workers of America and extend its influence has literally been a labor of love for Ken Seaton-Msemaji and Fahari Jeffers, who not only serve as President and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively, but are married to each other as well as their organization; and

WHEREAS, on September 30 through October 3, 1999, the United Domestic Workers of America will commemorate their 20th Anniversary and holds their 9th Constitutional Convention in San Diego, California; 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 Thursday, September 30, 1999 to be

“UNITED DOMESTIC WORKERS OF AMERICA DAY” in San Diego, in recognition of the social and economic gains of this noble and diligent labor organization.

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