

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 292756

ADOPTED ON FEB 22 2000

WHEREAS, John Walter began his City of San Diego career on October 6, 1970 as a Senior Recreation Leader for the Park and Recreation Department and, through consistent, diligent effort and high quality customer service to the citizens of San Diego, promoted to positions of Principal Recreation Leader, Area Manager II and District Manager; and

WHEREAS, in 1988 the City desired to upgrade Torrey Pines Golf Course to a world-class golf course, and appointed John Walter to this task due to the combination of his experience as an Army Lieutenant in management of an 18-hole military golf course in Fort Polk, Louisiana, and his proven track record in the Park and Recreation Department creating partnerships with the public to accomplish challenging goals; and

WHEREAS, John Walter has been the Golf Operations Manager for Torrey Pines Golf Course for the last 12 years and for Balboa Park Golf Course for the last six years, a City employee for 29-½ years, and will soon be retiring from City service, with his last work day on February 29, 2000; and

WHEREAS, John has had a distinguished career in the Park and Recreation Department, which was capped by his outstanding operation and management of our municipal golf courses where, under John's direction, Torrey Pines Golf Course has won many accolades, including Torrey Pines South being named one of the "50 Must-Play Courses in the World" by LINKS magazine; and

WHEREAS, John oversaw significant reconstruction of Balboa Park Golf Course, which

has resulted in the course having begun to fulfill the potential of its magnificent view site and challenging terrain; and

WHEREAS, John helped to make San Diego a dream tourist destination for golfers world-wide through the venue of the televised Buick Invitational PGA Tournament, the only such event held at a municipal golf course; and

WHEREAS, Junior golfers from over 35 nations recognize San Diego's Torrey Pines Golf Course as the premier site of their Annual Junior World Golf Championship; 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, hereby proclaims February 29, 2000, to be "**JOHN WALTER DAY**" in San Diego, with deep and sincere appreciation for a career dedicated to service to the citizens of San Diego, while extending our heartfelt best wishes upon his well deserved retirement from City service.

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