RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 292854 ADOPTED ON MAR 1 3 2000

WHEREAS, the San Diego Mediation Center is the largest program in The City of San Diego providing a neutral setting for the resolution of disputes as an alternative to the justice system, law enforcement, and other government service; and

WHEREAS, in 1999 San Diego Mediation Center provided dispute resolution services helping 7,000 people with a resolution rate of over eighty-five percent; and

WHEREAS, over 200 volunteers provided more than 9,000 hours of service to the City of San Diego through San Diego Mediation Center by participation in mediation, arbitration, facilitation, outreach and training; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego has participated in over 2,200 mediations conducted by San Diego Mediation Center, saving time and resources for The City of San Diego; 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 and commend the efforts of the San Diego Mediation Center staff and volunteers for their dedication to helping the citizens of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, this Council is proud and honored to proclaim the month of March 2000 to be "MEDIATION MONTH" in America's Finest City.

APPROVED: CASEY GWINN, City Attorney

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