

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 293078

ADOPTED ON MAY 15 2000

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego Park and Recreation Department offers several affordable, year-round aquatic programs led by enthusiastic, professional and American Red Cross certified pool personnel to swimmers of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, approximately 26,000 children and adults participate in the Park and Recreation Department's Learn-To-Swim Program each year; and

WHEREAS, since 1968, many San Diegans have learned to swim through the Park and Recreation Department's Portable Pool Program, where pools are set up each summer at area recreation centers that don't have permanent pools; and

WHEREAS, the Gus and Goldie Water Safety Roadshow Program has emphasized the importance of being safe in and around the water through fun and interactive presentations to thousands of school children; and

WHEREAS, in the last year, The City of San Diego opened two new aquatic facilities to serve the growing communities of Carmel Valley and Mira Mesa; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of children compete in the Aquatic Program's Youth Swim and Water Polo Leagues which encourage personal challenges through competition and organized practices, and promote spirit by supporting participants as they work and have fun together; and

WHEREAS, all City pools provide adaptive in-water programs for people of all ages with disabilities so that they can take part in aquatic recreation; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego that the month of May 2000, is hereby proclaimed to be "**WATER SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH**" and the City

Council commends the Park and Recreation Department for promoting water safety and urges San Diegans to take appropriate measures to protect themselves and their children.

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