

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 293770

ADOPTED ON SEP 12 2000

WHEREAS, we gather today as a community to recognize and celebrate the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the San Diego Rescue Mission; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that in every community there is work to be done, in every nation there are wounds to heal, in every heart there is the power to do it, we are proud to honor the San Diego Rescue Mission's 45 years of hard work, dedication and commitment to the needs of fellow human beings whose circumstances have left them homeless and hungry; and

WHEREAS, founded as a soup kitchen at Fifth Avenue and G Street on August 30, 1955, the San Diego Rescue Mission has evolved into a diverse service provider for the community, assisting the abused, addicted, homeless and poor with a year-long rehabilitation and treatment program for men, another for women and children, an emergency shelter for women and children, a daily hot meal for those on the street, and a distribution center which provides food, clothing and other life necessities to those in need throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, funded completely without government support, the San Diego Rescue Mission has worked diligently from day-one to increase the awareness among elected officials of the critical issues that face over 15,000 men, women and children who call the streets and canyons of San Diego their home; and

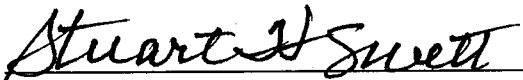
WHEREAS, the San Diego Rescue Mission's annual budget is met with the generous assistance of San Diego individuals, businesses, foundations, churches and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, September 16, 2000, the San Diego Rescue Mission will be celebrating its 45th Anniversary at the gala "HOMECOMING: 1955;" and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is committed to recognizing and honoring the many fine organizations throughout the region devoted to restoring the dignity, self-worth, self-confidence and self-respect of the less fortunate; 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 September 16, 2000 to be "**San Diego Rescue Mission Day**" in the City of San Diego.

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