

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 294203

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WHEREAS, Community Research Foundation is a not-for-profit organization located in Bankers Hill dedicated to providing services to the mentally ill, and over the past 20 years it has grown to become one of the largest providers of mental health services to the public sector mental health consumers of San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Community Research Foundation is to design and operate programs and integrated systems of care utilizing a psychosocial rehabilitation philosophy, and to conduct scientific research and educational programs that will promote recovery and decrease the stigma of mental illness; and

WHEREAS, from the time its first program was opened in 1980, Community Research Foundation has always embraced the concept that persons affected by mental illness can and do recover when provided with appropriate treatment, activities and supports, which includes providing access to recovery-focused care within the individual's own community at the least restrictive level possible; and

WHEREAS, in 1980, Community Research Foundation opened its first mental health program, the Turning Point Crisis Center, located in northern San Diego County. This innovative, community-based treatment program was designed to provide an alternative to hospitalization for mentally ill adults in acute crisis; and

WHEREAS, since the opening of Turning Point, Community Research Foundation has established five more residential crisis programs throughout San Diego County, and the 75-bed

network at these six programs which are contracted to the County of San Diego provides the majority of acute mental health care for the public mental health consumers in San Diego, reducing the need for more costly and restrictive care. These resourceful programs recently were awarded full accreditation by CARF, the Accreditation Commission, as crisis stabilization mental health programs; and

WHEREAS, over the past 20 years, Community Research Foundation has grown to include over 25 programs and over 450 employees, and this broad spectrum of programs serving seriously and persistently mentally ill adults, as well as seriously and emotionally disturbed youth and children, now includes outpatient clinics, CalWORKS mental health programs, transitional living programs, and consumer-directed psychosocial/vocational clubhouses; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council does hereby commend Community Research Foundation for 20 years of providing outstanding service to the mentally ill members of the San Diego community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that October 14, 2000, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "COMMUNITY RESEARCH FOUNDATION DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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