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WHEREAS, this is the 20th year since the identification of the HIV virus; and WHEREAS, there is no singular face to HIV/AIDS, as the pandemic has spared no country, avoided no community, and respected no border; and

WHEREAS, there have been over 22 million people worldwide who have died from AIDS; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 36 million people living with HIV/AIDS worldwide; and

WHEREAS, tens of billions of dollars have been spent fighting this disease; and WHEREAS, on May 20, 2001, The International AIDS Candlelight Memorial is being held in over 600 communities in 76 different countries to commemorate and remember those lost to AIDS; and

WHEREAS, as part of this commemoration, an AIDS Candlelight Memorial will be held in Balboa Park from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 20, 2001, beginning with a memorial service at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion and culminating with a candlelight march from Balboa Park into the heart of Hillcrest; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council does hereby commemorate the lives of those lost to AIDS.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that May 20, 2001, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "INTERNATIONAL AIDS CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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