## RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 294949

## ADOPTED ON \_\_\_\_\_\_ JUN 5 2001

WHEREAS, the San Diego Police Department and the San Diego City Attorney's Office have joined in partnership with local elementary schools to develop a unique education program, Juveniles and Justice: A Community Safety Initiative; and

WHEREAS, Juveniles and Justice is to educate San Diego elementary school students about the criminal justice system through a series of discussion groups, a police station tour, a courthouse tour, and a mock trial; and

WHEREAS, students in Shelia Malveaux's fifth grade class at Andrew Jackson Elementary School in the City of San Diego recently completed the Juveniles and Justice program; and

WHEREAS, these students spent eight weeks studying the United States Constitution and the individual rights that relate to the criminal justice system, specifically, the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Amendments to the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the students learned why we have laws and what happens when a law is broken; and

WHEREAS, the students discussed the roles of the police, prosecutors, defense attorneys, witnesses, judges, and jurors; and

WHEREAS, by educating the students about the criminal justice system, the Juveniles and Justice team works on both prevention and intervention; and

WHEREAS, by exposing the students to the criminal justice system, they understand the importance of reporting crime, working with law enforcement authorities, and being responsible community members; and

WHEREAS, the students participated in a mock trial, as attorneys, witnesses, and jurors; and

WHEREAS, the students also participated in an essay contest on why we have a criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, two students, Tyrone Travis and Vien Tran, demonstrated excellence in

winning the essay contest and participating in the Juveniles and Justice program, and they are being recognized as San Diego City Attorney and San Diego Police Chief for the day; and

WHEREAS, Saniarth Ung and Stephanie Brown are also being recognized for honorable mention; 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 the work of the Juveniles and Justice team, including members of the City Attorney and Police Department staffs, for their work in developing this partnership to benefit the young people of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that student Vien Tran is recognized as San Diego Police Chief for the Day for his outstanding efforts in service as a witness in the case of *People v. Goldie Locke*, and for writing an exceptional essay.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that student Tyrone Travis is recognized as San Diego City Attorney for the Day for his outstanding efforts in serving as defense attorney in the case of *People v. Goldie Locke*, and for writing an exceptional essay.

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