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ADOPTED ON _____ JUN 05 2001 _____

WHEREAS, Jim Stewart has had a long and productive career in the field of scientific diving; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1960s he developed the original University Guide for Diving Safely, which is the basis for the research diving standards of the American Academy of Underwater Science; and

WHEREAS, since 1960 he was the Diving Safely Officer at SIO, the nation's oldest and largest non-governmental research diving program; and

WHEREAS, his 40-year career averaged 130 students annually, and his program at SIO has set the standards for diving safety in San Diego waters; and

WHEREAS, in 1967 he was named Diving Safety Officer for the Office of Polar programs of the National Science Foundation, where he was responsible for evaluating and authorizing all NSF-supported scientists who wished to dive in Polar regions; and

WHEREAS, he has served as consultant to NASA for the underwater training of astronauts, and has served the American Red Cross since the 1940s in all aspects of water safety, and as a Director of the San Diego/ Imperial Chapter for 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stewart has a Bachelor's Degree from Pomona College in Botany, and has published many papers on underwater scientific subjects; and

WHEREAS, he is a Founding Member of the AAUS, and has served on several federal and state committees dealing with driving safety; and

WHEREAS, his awards are many, including the National Conservation Award from the Department of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from SIO, he was awarded the title of Chief Diving Safety Officer Emeritus by the president of the University of California, and he is still active as a diving safety consultant; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council hereby proclaims June 9, 2001 as **"Jim Stewart Day"** in the City of San Diego.

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