RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 295124

ADOPTED ON __JUL 9 2001__

WHEREAS, in 1976 The Burnham Institute, then known as the La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation was founded as an independent, nonprofit, public benefit organization dedicated to basic biomedical research; and

WHEREAS, since 1981, the National Cancer Institute has designated The Burnham Institute as a cancer center for basic research and in recent years that research has broadened beyond cancer to research into diseases of the nervous system and the processes of aging; and

WHEREAS, during the past twenty-five years the Institute has contributed over $295 million to the San Diego economy in the form of competitive research grants awarded to its faculty; and

WHEREAS, the Institute's faculty has patented over 200 inventions and contributed via licencing to the startup of more than six San Diego biotechnology companies; and

WHEREAS, the Institute now has a faculty of 46 and a staff of 480 and trained over 500 postdoctoral fellows in pioneering areas of molecular medicine; and

WHEREAS, The Burnham Institute has been consistently ranked among the top research institutions worldwide for the impact of its research as measured by peer citation of publications from its faculty; and

WHEREAS, most importantly, the Institute has contributed to the design of new diagnoses and treatment of cancer and other diseases, and moved toward preventive medicine by the use of molecular intervention; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that upon the twenty-fifth anniversary of The Burnham Institute, the City of San Diego recognizes The Burnham Institute as a valued member of the San Diego biomedical research community, contributing not only to mankind's knowledge about the causes of disease, but also to the prevention of future suffering through preventive medicine and the advancement of science.

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