

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- ~~295125~~

ADOPTED ON JUL 9 2001

WHEREAS, Front Runners San Diego is celebrating its 20th anniversary as an athletic and social support organization for the gay and lesbian community; and

WHEREAS, Front Runners San Diego currently has 220 members who are runners and walkers, a number of whom have won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals in competitions at the Gay Games, which have been held quadrennially since 1986; and

WHEREAS, Front Runners San Diego has consistently demonstrated itself to be an organization representing the positive ideals of the gay and lesbian community and has served as a model for other gay and lesbian community organizations; and

WHEREAS, through its sponsorship of the annual "Run and Stride with Pride" during Pride weekend in July and through other outreach efforts, Front Runners San Diego has demonstrated how community organizations can collaborate effectively to improve the quality of life of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1981, Front Runners San Diego has been led by co-chairs of opposite genders, thereby setting an example of gender parity governance and helping to build bridges of understanding; and

WHEREAS, Front Runners San Diego has become an outstanding example of how San Diego's best and brightest gay and lesbian citizens participate in athletics in true "America's Finest City" tradition; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council does hereby recognize the 20th anniversary of Front Runners San Diego, and commends them for their

outstanding contribution to San Diego's gay and lesbian sports community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, July 7, 2001, be and is hereby proclaimed to be
"FRONT RUNNERS SAN DIEGO DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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