

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 295423

ADOPTED ON SEP 1 0 2001

WHEREAS, at the Nineteenth Annual John S. Lyons Memorial Banquet, Hal Jensen will receive the 2001 JOHNS Fellowship Award in recognition of his outstanding record of contributions on behalf of working women and men, as well as his community and State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jensen was born in Canada in 1936 and later gained his United States citizenship. Mr. Jensen, a member of the Mormon Church, served a mission to Africa from 1955 to 1958. After his return, Mr. Jensen married Rebecca Campbell Jensen in 1960. Mr. Jensen graduated from Brigham Young University receiving "The Outstanding Student" award and degrees in Finance and Economics. Mr. Jensen went on to attend Stanford University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jensen has enjoyed a successful career which includes IBM; founding his own computer company, Computer Planning Corporation [CPC]; Senior Vice President and board member of TRACOR; Industrial Development Corporation [IDC], which continues today as his flagship company. In 1978, with two partners, Mr. Jensen founded Palomar Grading and Paving, Inc. Today, it is one of the largest grading and paving operations in Southern California, constructing highways, subdivisions and airfields. Mr. Jensen serves as Chairman of the company, employing many skilled and trained building tradesmen and women; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jensen has been associated with Native Americans since his youth. Convinced that they faced many of the same challenges as third world developing nations, in 1980 he began to develop programs to assist Native American businessmen and to help reservations become economically self-sufficient. He joined the Board of American Indian Services, serving as Chair of its Economic Development Committee and its California Chapter.

American Indian Services provides over 1200 college scholarships each year to Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jensen also Chaired the Navajo Nation National Advisory Board and the Board of Trustees of their Museum, Library and Cultural Center. He has also participated in drafting tribal constitutions and amending existing constitutions. He is a member of the Advisory Board of Haskell University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jensen served 3 years as Chairman of the I-15 Design Review Board and as a Member of the Committee for the Jerusalem Center at BYU in Israel. For his work in computer automation in Israel, along with his work on behalf of the Government of Israel, Mr. Jensen receive a Medal of Commendation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jensen exemplifies the high values, standards, and principles of the work of the late John S. Lyons in community service, and it is appropriate at this time that his efforts be acknowledged; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of the City of San Diego, takes great pleasure in congratulating Hal Jensen on his receipt of the "2001 JOHNS FELLOWSHIP AWARD" in recognition of his outstanding record of contributions to the enhancement of the quality of life in San Diego, and extends to him best wishes for continued success.

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