RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 296004

ADOPTED ON ____JAN 2 8 2002

WHEREAS, in the 1950s Mr. Elijah Gentry attended barber college in San Diego and received his license from the State Board; and

WHEREAS, in 1962, Mr. Elijah Gentry and his wife, Doris, opened their first barbershop at 5037 Churchward and after several successful years there, he constructed the building where Gentry's Family Barber Shop is presently located at 4973 Imperial Avenue; and

WHEREAS, during the early years Mr. and Mrs. Gentry and their four children worked long hours at the business; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gentry, at the age of 71, and his three sons continue to provide the latest haircuts for the urban community of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2002, Gentry's Family Barber Shop, a black owned family business, will celebrate 40 years of dedicated service to the San Diego community; and

WHEREAS, Gentry's Barber Shop is happy to share their 40th Anniversary celebration with their loyal customers and community; 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 commend Gentry's Family Barber Shop for their contributions to the City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that January 20, 2002 be and is hereby proclaimed to be "GENTRY'S FAMILY BARBER SHOP DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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