

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 296745

ADOPTED ON JUL 08 2002

WHEREAS, Bishop George Dallas McKinney received a BA degree from Arkansas State College, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude, a MA degree from Oberlin College School of Technology in Ohio, a Ph.D. from California Graduate School of Theology in Glendale, California, and an honorary D.D. from Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, he was born in Jonesboro, Arkansas on August 9, 1932, and has been married to Jean Brown McKinney for forty-four years, and are proud parents of five sons and the grandparents of thirteen grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Bishop McKinney is the pastor of St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ and is co-founder of the St. Stephens Nursery School, Southeast Counseling and Consulting Services, American Urban University, and St. Stephen's Retirement Center, which are all located in San Diego; and

WHEREAS, Bishop McKinney accomplished many goals, such as being a former probation officer, renowned licensed Marriage, Family and Child Counselor, author of numerous books, senior editor for the African-American Devotional Bible, co-author of a best-selling book titled *Cross the Line: Reclaiming the Inner City for God*, and currently serves as publisher for the San Diego Monitor Newspaper; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, the San Diego Rotary Club named Bishop McKinney "Mr. San Diego," and on March 7, 2001, the National Association of Evangelicals [NAE] presented

Bishop McKinney with a Racial Reconciliation Man of the Year Award, in recognition of all the work he has in the area of racial unity; 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 Bishop George McKinney for his contributions to the City of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that July 8, 2002, be and is hereby proclaimed to be **“Bishop George McKinney Day”** in the City of San Diego.

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