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## RESOLUTION NUMBER R-\_297053

## ADOPTED ON **SEP 1 6 2002**

WHEREAS, AIDS is the world's most infectious disease, and since the beginning of the epidemic, AIDS has killed nearly 22 million people and is now the fourth leading cause of death worldwide; and

WHEREAS, there are over 40 million people living with HIV or AIDS worldwide, and more than 10,000 people currently diagnosed with HIV/AIDS in San Diego County since December 1999; and

WHEREAS, HIV is spreading disproportionately among men of color, children and women, and because the love of baseball is a phenomenon that transcends people of all ages, races and gender, Strikeout AIDS is an organization that has been created to provide an obvious and cost-efficient means by which to educate large segments of society attending baseball games about HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, a myriad of local and national businesses and companies have joined Strikeout AIDS in this endeavor, including Bourbon Street, Club Montage, United Airlines, Clearvision Opticals, Agouron Pharmaceuticals, Abbott Laboratories, ITG Tech, Rich's Metro, CalFed, Flicks, Buzz Magazine, Genre, Baja Facial Implants, Upper Deck, Imperial Court de San Diego, Statscript Pharmacy, Procare Pharmacy, Clinica'estetica, Charter Funding and El Cortez; and

WHEREAS, these sponsors have all come together to produce a pre-game tailgate party at which each and every HIV and AIDS organization in San Diego County has been invited to

attend the game and set up tables at the pre-game event to disseminate information about HIV and AIDS and thereafter enjoy a baseball game together in a night of reflection, celebration and unity; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council does hereby recognize Strikeout AIDS and the various local and national sponsors for their efforts to help educate the community about HIV and AIDS with the Strikeout AIDS Night at the Ballpark in San Diego on September 18, 2002.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that September 18, 2002, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "STRIKE OUT AIDS NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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