RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 297153 ADOPTED ON OCT 0 7 2002

WHEREAS, the fourth annual Light the Night Walk, a nationwide evening walk held to celebrate and commemorate lives touched by blood related cancers, took place on Saturday,

October 5, 2002 at San Diego's Embarcadero Park; and

WHEREAS, more than 2,000 walkers participated in the two-mile San Diego walk event to raise more than \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, blood-related cancers currently afflict more than 700,000 Americans with an estimated 110,000 new cases diagnosed each year; and

WHEREAS, leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma will kill an estimated 60,500 people in the United States this year; and

WHEREAS, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, through fund raising events and voluntary contributions, is dedicated to finding cures for these diseases through research efforts and the support for those that suffer from them; and

WHEREAS, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society maintains an office in San Diego to support patients with these diseases and their family members; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is similarly committed to the eradication of these diseases and supports the treatment of its citizens that suffer from them; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego encourages private efforts to enhance research funding and education programs that address these diseases; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that the efforts of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society are to be commended, and that the fight to eradicate such diseases must continue until a cure is found.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that October 5 2002, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "LIGHT THE NIGHT WALK DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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