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WHEREAS, Lula Champion was born on October 21, 1913, in Strong, Arkansas, to

Eddie and Martha Champion, and grew up with her sibling, Willie Benton Champion; and

WHEREAS, Lula Champion received her formal education at Washington High School
in El Dorado, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 1935, Lula Champion wed Junious Augustus Blake in El Dorado, Arkansas, and she bore two sons, Junious Augustus, Jr., and Charles Edward; and WHEREAS, in 1948, the Blake family relocated to San Diego and eventually began pastoring the Jackson Memorial Church of God in Christ on Logan Avenue; and

WHEREAS, as First Lady of the Jackson Memorial Church of God in Christ,
Lula Champion Blake assisted with the ministry of Bishop J.A. Blake, Sr., which continues to
positively impact San Diego; and

WHEREAS, Mother Lula Champion Blake has served as an outstanding role model for women as a strong mother, Bishop's wife, Choir president, and Hospitality Board leader; and

WHEREAS, family, friends, and fellow parishioners will gather together at the Fountain of Life Church on March 28, 2003, to present "Celebration of Life, Expressions of Love" in honor of Mother Lula Champion Blake; 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 recognize Mother Lula Champion Blake for her outstanding contributions to her family, church, and community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that March 28, 2003, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "MOTHER LULA CHAMPION BLAKE DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: CASEY GWINN, City Attorney

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