

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 297899

ADOPTED ON APR 28 2003

WHEREAS, the American Youth Soccer Organization [AYSO] is a nonprofit, national organization dedicated to the betterment of youth through soccer; and

WHEREAS, AYSO provides a healthy competitive atmosphere for young soccer players, helping them to develop a positive self-image, a wholesome attitude toward competition, and a pursuit of excellence which will serve them well throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, the philosophies of AYSO are Everyone Plays, Balanced Teams, Open Registration, and Positive Coaching, and Good Sportsmanship; and

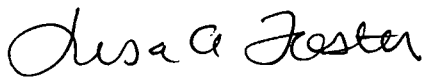
WHEREAS, AYSO was founded in 1964 with nine teams in Torrance, California. Today that number has grown to more than 55,000 teams and 660,000 boys and girls between the ages of 4 1/2 and 18, with AYSO programs in 46 states; Washington, D.C.; Moscow, Russia; Puerto Rico; Paraguay; and the U.S. Virgin Islands; and

WHEREAS, a volunteer organization, AYSO has more than 250,000 parents and friends as coaches, referees, and administrators; and

WHEREAS, AYSO is celebrating 39 years of soccer at its National Annual General Meeting May 23 - 26, 2003; 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 proclaim May 23 - 26, 2003, as **"AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION DAYS"** in the City of San Diego.

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