

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 297907

ADOPTED ON APR 28 2003

WHEREAS, Black Infant Health is a community service program dedicated to improving the birth outcomes of African American women by helping them access the necessary resources to ensure better health and well-being of their children and themselves; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, The California Department of Health Services recognized that consistent data showing African American babies dying at nearly triple the rate of Caucasian babies and responded by establishing the Black Infant Health Leadership Committee to develop solutions for improving the health status of African American women and children; and

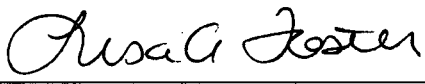
WHEREAS, The Black Infant Health Program [BIH] of San Diego County was implemented in February 1992, to assist pregnant and parenting African American women and their families in accessing necessary resources and services to ensure the birth of a healthy baby and subsequent growth and development of a healthy child; and

WHEREAS, the success of the program is attributable to the common vision and dedication held by each staff member of the Black Infant Health staff and the Program Coordinator who has cultivated in a staff a strong sense of community, accountability to each other and those they serve, belief in the program's goals, and pride in both the program and the African American community; 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 THE BLACK INFANT HEALTH PROGRAM for their community involvement and dedication to the women and children of the Fourth Council District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that April 26, 2003, be and is hereby proclaimed to be ***"THE BLACK INFANT HEALTH DAY"*** in the City of San Diego.

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