

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- **299433**

ADOPTED ON JUL 12 2004

WHEREAS, in 1997, Principal EMILEE WATTS helped in the creation of Rosa Parks Elementary School in the City Heights community of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, EMILEE WATTS served as the first principal of Rosa Parks Elementary School, where she was admired by her students, staff, faculty, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure at Rosa Parks Elementary School, where nearly 70 percent of the students are learning English as a second language, EMILEE WATTS helped improve the school's Academic Performance Index (API) scores by 40 percent, thus making the school eligible for the Governor's Award for academic achievement every year since 1999; and

WHEREAS, prior to being principal of Rosa Parks Elementary School, EMILEE WATTS was vice principal of Euclid Elementary School and principal of Scripps Ranch Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, EMILEE WATTS, who grew up on 45th Street in City Heights, has always had her heart in the community; and

WHEREAS, EMILEE WATTS is retiring after more than 30 years of service to San Diego City Schools; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, does hereby congratulate EMILEE WATTS on 30 years of outstanding commitment and service to the youth of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that July 16, 2004, be and is hereby proclaimed to be, "EMILEE WATTS DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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