

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299588

ADOPTED ON SEP 07 2004

WHEREAS, the running of red lights by motorists is the leading cause of urban crashes today, with the latest statistics from the Federal Highway Administration showing over 219,000 crashes every year, resulting in over 181,000 injuries and over 1,000 deaths nationwide attributed to red light running; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, the San Diego Police Department reported 788 red light running collisions in the City of San Diego, which resulted in 652 injuries and two fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego Police Department and the City of San Diego Transportation Engineering Division are working together to increase traffic safety by reducing the running of red lights through the City of San Diego Red Light Photo Safety Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego Red Light Photo Safety Program is working with the San Diego Padres Major League Baseball Team and the National Campaign to Stop Red Light Running to host a Stop on Red event at PETCO Park on Friday, September 3, 2004; and

WHEREAS, from August 31-September 6, 2004, communities throughout the United States will be observing National Stop on Red Week, which is an effort dedicated to educating Americans about the dangers of running red lights; and

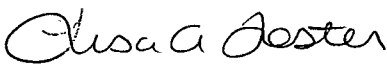
WHEREAS, National Stop on Red Week is part of the Federal Highway Administration's Stop Red Light Running campaign to raise awareness and help reduce fatalities associated with the running of red lights in participating communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego continues in its commitment to protect the health and safety of its citizens by reducing and fighting the incidence of red light running, which will help contribute to making San Diego America's safest city; 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 those efforts to educate citizens about the dangers of running red lights, and encourage San Diegans to participate in programs and events during National Stop on Red Week to help reduce injuries and fatalities that result from red light running.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that August 31-September 6, 2004, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "NATIONAL STOP ON RED WEEK" in the City of San Diego.

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