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ADOPTED ON \_\_\_\_ AUG 0 8 2005

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. C. Dennis Williams was born to Herbert Williams, Jr., and Merlie M. Williams on November 19, 1960, in San Diego and was raised in Santa Ana, California; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. C. Dennis Williams entered the ministry while still in high school in 1976 in Santa Ana, California, and became licensed in 1977 by the Quarterly Conference of the A.M.E. Church; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. C. Dennis Williams has ministered in the states of Texas, Washington, Missouri, and California for a total of 30 years; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. C. Dennis Williams has served as Senior Pastor of Bethel A.M.E. Church of San Diego for nine years with a marked increase of over 2,000 members and 20 ministries and the development of a senior citizen housing project and a charter school; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. C. Dennis Williams is President & CEO of Richard's Place, which provides transitional housing for men living with HIV/AIDS; Chairman of the Board of the San Diego Chapter of United Negro College Fund and BAME; and member of the board of directors for Therapeutic Health Services, Girl's Club of America, Depressive and Manic Depressive Association of St. Louis, Ecumenical Council of San Diego, Pastoral Educational Clinic Board of Sharp Hospital, General Board of A.M.E. Church, and Promise Charter School; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. C. Dennis Williams has been recognized by Outstanding Young Men in America, Who's Who in Colleges and Universities, United Negro College Fund, and the American Christian Leadership Council; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. C. Dennis Williams holds a Bachelor of Science degree in history/religion from Paul Quinn College; a Master of Arts degree in biblical studies from Bethany Theological Seminary; a Doctorate of Ministry from United Theological Seminary; and has studied at McCormick and Payne Theological Seminaries; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. C. Dennis Williams will receive tribute as "The Man, His Ministry, His Service" during his 30th anniversary celebration of ministry on August 21, 2005; 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 August 21, 2005, to be "THE REVEREND DR. C. DENNIS WILLIAMS DAY" in the City of San Diego in recognition of his 30th anniversary celebration and in appreciation of his efforts to serve and minister to the spiritual needs of many.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By

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