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WHEREAS, Rulette Armstead is the first woman and first African-American in the more than 100-year history of the San Diego Police Department to rise through the ranks to serve as Assistant Police Chief for thirteen years; and

WHEREAS, Rulette Armstead, on a national basis, has served for thirty-one years as a beacon of light and inspiration for women and African-Americans in law enforcement who seek equal opportunity in career advancement and equitable treatment; and

WHEREAS, Rulette Armstead has influenced the number of sworn female officers to double through proactive recruitment; and

WHEREAS, Rulette Armstead developed the Department's first Equal Employment

Office and was instrumental in initiating the first Domestic Violence Division, which became the

National Model for its innovative approaches to breaking the cycle of family violence; and

WHEREAS, Rulette Armstead, through her passion for protecting those without voices, led the Department's efforts to merge the Domestic Violence Unit with the City Attorney's support to create the internationally known Family Justice Center; and

WHEREAS, Rulette Armstead, one of the few law enforcement officers with an advanced degree, holds a Master's degree in criminal justice administration and now dedicates herself to teaching others at San Diego State University and the San Diego Community College; and

WHEREAS, Rulette Armstead allowed her natural inclination to protect others strengthen her struggle against all unfairness and injustice; 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 Assistant Police Chief Rulette Armstead for her unselfish efforts to protect and serve the people of San Diego.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that October 10, 2005, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF RULETTE V. ARMSTEAD DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

Deputy City Attorney

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Or.Dept:Deputy Mayor Atkins & Council-Young

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