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WHEREAS, on September 29, 2005, Lance Armstrong and the Bristol-Myers Squibb

Tour of Hope Team will kick off a nine-day cross-country bicycle trip from San Diego,

California, to Washington D.C. to increase public awareness and inspire all Americans to learn

more about cancer research; and

WHEREAS, Lance Armstrong has proven himself to be the world's premier cyclist, winning a record seventh consecutive Tour de France in July and serving as a role model to thousands of young cyclists all over the world; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, he was diagnosed with cancer and courageously beat the cancer returning triumphantly to cycling in 1998, winning the Tour de Luxembourg, and the Tour de France a year later; and

WHEREAS, Lance Armstrong is dedicated to providing hope for all cancer survivors and their families nationwide, helping supply Americans with more exposure to information and support, founding the Lance Armstrong Foundation in 1997, which provides practical tools for people living with cancer to live strong; and

WHEREAS, he is committed to his mission in life, inspiring and empowering all people with cancer to live strong, and he actively serves this mission through education, advocacy, public health, and research programs; and

WHEREAS, he is the author of the inspirational bestsellers "Every Second Counts" and "It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life," and was a collaborator on "The Lance Armstrong Performance Program: Seven Weeks to the Perfect Ride," which helps others reach their cycling goals; and

WHEREAS, Lance Armstrong, through his foundation, his writing, and his public support has contributed immeasurably to cancer awareness and research throughout the world; 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 offer its most sincere appreciation to Lance Armstrong for his selfless dedication to the advancement of cancer awareness and research, and recognize his exceptional athletic achievements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that September 29, 2005, be and is hereby proclaimed to be "LANCE ARMSTRONG DAY" in the City of San Diego.

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