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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 303051

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WHEREAS, Michael Brunker served as the Executive Director of San Diego “inner-city” YMCA since October of 1997; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brunker, in less than eight years, has increased the branch staff from 8 to 60, the Board of Managers from 12 to 50, and the budget from \$450,000 to 1.4 million this fiscal year. The 2005 Positioning for the Future strategic plan includes a \$15 million dollar Capital Campaign that will totally rebuild the facility at its current location; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brunker, in 1994, was inducted by San Diego Rotary Club 33 as an Honorary Member for his work in driving youth and family programs in resource challenged areas through the San Diego Regional Police Athletic League, a program he founded in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brunker’s active involvement embodies service before self. He has served as the Governor of the Amateur Athletic Union – Pacific Southwest District since 1987, the same year he founded the National Youth Sports Program at San Diego City College – now in its 18th year; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brunker, born and raised in Detroit, Michigan; graduated from the University of Detroit with a degree in Political Science before embarking on a thirteen year basketball coaching career with stints at his alma mater and the NBA Detroit Pistons; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brunker, after working six years with ESPN’s Dick Vitale in Detroit, joined Smokey Gaines at San Diego State in 1980; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brunker, married for 29 years, wife; Maria, with five children; Maria, Michael, Mario, Michelle, and Marianna, has received numerous awards including: the KGTV 10 Leaders for San Diego Individual of the Year Award, the Amateur Athletic Union National Community Recreation Agency of Year Award, the Director of the Year by the Association of Professional Directors of the YMCA of Southern California, the California Association of Black Lawyers – David Cunningham Community Service Award, the African American Probation Officers Association – Unity in the Community Unsung Hero Award, the San Diego State University Associated Students Community Partner Community Service Learning Award, the Phi Delta Kappa–Delta Upsilon Chapter Outstanding Community Service Award, the Latina-Latino Unity Coalition Betterment of Our Community Award, and the Jonathon Tarr Foundation 2004 Humanitarian of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brunker is a featured national keynote speaker including presentations this year at the 48th Annual Laurels for Leaders Luncheon, the 15th YMCA of San Diego County Christian Leadership Conference, and the California State Games opening ceremony speaker this summer; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brunker's work engaging communities in his YMCA service area to discover new approaches to curbing gang violence is considered cutting edge and saving lives;

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 October 9, 2007 to be "MICHAEL BRUNKER DAY" in the City of San Diego in appreciation for his dedication to Council District Four.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By Catherine M. Bradley
Catherine M. Bradley
Chief Deputy City Attorney

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of ~~OCT 9 2007~~.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND
City Clerk

By [Signature]
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 10 18 07
(date)

[Signature]
JERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor