

RESOLUTION NUMBER R-284202

ADOPTED ON JUL 05 1994

WHEREAS, on March 1, 1943, the area near Miramar Naval Air Station was commissioned the Marine Corps Air Base, Kearney Mesa, San Diego; and

WHEREAS, redesignated the Marine Corps Air Detachment in September of that year, the base served as the West coast depot for Marine combat aviation; and

WHEREAS, after World War II, its training mission ended, and in June 1947, all Marine aviation units moved to MCAS El Toro and the Marine Corps Air Detachment Miramar was decommissioned three months later; and

WHEREAS, Congress approved the 1993 Base Realignment and Closure Committee recommendation that MCAS El Toro be closed, reaffirmed MCAS Tustin be closed and most flight operations be moved to Miramar; and

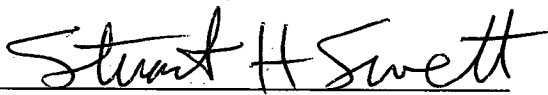
WHEREAS, with the selection of Miramar as the headquarters of 3rd Marine aircraft wing and the Marine Aircraft Group 46, more than 12,000 military and civilian employees and 316 helicopter and fixed wing aircraft will begin moving in to Miramar this summer with the full relocation to be phased in between now and 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Navy is currently expected to give up Miramar Naval Air Station to the Marine Corps in April 1997, six months earlier than originally planned; 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 July 5, 1994 to be "WELCOME HOME MARINE
CORPS AVIATION DAY" in San Diego and further extends a very warm
welcome to Major General P.D. Williams, Commander of the Marine
Corps Air Bases, Western Area, who will be headquartered at
Miramar, along with the thousands of Marine Corps personnel and
their families who will now make San Diego County their home.

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