## Bity of San Bernardino **S**alifornia

## RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL









## THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1972 (CAC) CIVIC ATHLETIC CLUB LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL ALL STAR TEAM CALIFORNIA LITTLE LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONS

WHEREAS, July 2022 marks the historical 50th Anniversary of the 1972 Civic Athletic Club Little League Baseball All Star Team, known as "CAC". CAC made national headlines to win the first and only California Little League State Championship from San Bernardino. CAC, Civic Athletic Club is from San Bernardino's Sixth Ward. CAC, used to practice and play at former Muscott Park, once surrounded by orange groves across the street from San Bernardino Community Hospital where the sound of a breaking window of the convalescent home was considered a home run; and

WHEREAS, this All-Star team (which was made of players from teams with names like the Gas Hogs, Cars, Missiles, Jets and Rockets) took San Bernardino on an incredible journey and would go down in history for the Westside community. Unlike today's premier travel sports teams, this group had grassroot sponsors: Scotty's Mobile Gas Station, Talmadge Hughes- Hughes Real Estate, Clyde Alexander- Alexander Construction, Diggs Liquor Store, Tillies Mortuary, Alvin's Music Center and Manny's Jukebox. The 1972 Civic Athletic Club All-Star team, CAC, was managed by Al Jury a renowned record setting National Football League referee and icon of San Bernardino and coached by Leonard (Sonny) Davis (deceased). No one could have imagined this team would have united the City of San Bernardino the way that they did; and

WHEREAS, July 2022 marks the inaugural year of the Western Region Little Headquarters in San Bernardino where CAC's most memorable team was just two games away from earning a spot to play in the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. Unfortunately, CAC lost to Hawaii in the semi-finals; and

WHEREAS, the summer of 1972 was a flash point for the Sixth Ward and the City of San Bernardino. The entire community, as well as the entire city, was very proud of this group of young men. The team makeup was comprised of the League President Mr. Felton Anderson and the Vice President Mr. Bobby Caldwell (deceased). The manager Mr. Al Jury and his Coach Mr. Leonard Davis (deceased) and Juanita Louise Jury, Treasurer/Statistician. The team all-stars included: Michael Adams, Paul Anderson, Harry (Teddy) Brown (deceased), Bobby Caldwell, Leonard Davis, Gary Dawson, Gerald Jacks, John Jordan, Kevin McDowell, Kevin Mosley, Zachary Russ, Ladell Taylor, Byron Wilhite (deceased), and William (Billy) Wilson.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of San Bernardino Mayor and City Council, do hereby congratulate the 1972 Civic Athletic Club (CAC) Little League Baseball All Star Team on their 50th anniversary. On this occasion, we honor and celebrate your unforgettable, amazing, fantastic, victorious title and are forever grateful for your contributions to Little League Baseball.

Presented this 3rd day of August 2022

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