

RESOLUTION

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CITY HALL: January 18, 1996

BY: COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS

**WHEREAS**, The Ted Wisniewski Center of Excellence for the Treatment of Immunodeficiency Diseases is a primary care clinic for adults, adolescents and children who are HIV infected or have AIDS; and

**WHEREAS**, the Louisiana Health Care Authority's HIV Outpatient Program (HOP) is committed to providing quality health care to adults and children living with HIV, with an emphasis on health maintenance, promotion and disease prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, Ted Wisniewski saw the obvious benefits of such an HIV Outpatient Program, as well as the need to support such programs to assist those in our community who are in need of comprehensive care; and

**WHEREAS**, upon his death, Dr. Wisniewski bequeathed a substantial amount of money to the Louisiana Health Care Authority's HIV Outpatient Program, which was used to establish the Ted Wisniewski Center of Excellence for the Treatment of Immunodeficiency Diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, because of his deep concern for those who are living with HIV or have AIDS, he gave a great deal of his time and resources to assist in programs that would provide help and comfort under these difficult circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, because of Dr. Wisniewski's generosity, The Ted Wisniewski Center of Excellence for the Treatment of Immunodeficiency Diseases can provide a variety of much needed speciality services; such as AIDS Law Outreach, Home Health, Hospice, Research, and Social Security Outreach; and

**WHEREAS**, the assistance Dr. Wisniewski has provided should not only be assessed in terms of a financial contribution, but also as a generous gift that will make an innumerable difference for countless individuals who might otherwise be deprived of such services; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS**, That this Council declares

**January 26, 1996**

as

**Ted Wisniewski Day**

in honor of his selfless dedication and concern for others.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** That this Council encourages everyone in our community to become more aware of the needs of those who are living with HIV or have AIDS, and to follow in Dr. Wisniewski's footsteps in lending assistance and encouragement for quality care.

**THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:**

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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