

**City of Long Beach**  
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**Memorandum**

**To:** Mayor and City Council

January 22, 2013

**From:** Robert Garcia, First District *RG*  
Suja Lowenthal, Second District *SL*  
Dee Andrews, Sixth District *DA*  
James Johnson, Seventh District *JJ*

**Subject:** Season for Nonviolence January 30<sup>th</sup> – April 4<sup>th</sup>

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**REQUESTED ACTION:**

Respectfully request the City Council recognize the sixty-four days between January 30th and April 4th, as a "A Season for Nonviolence" and consider ways to participate by hosting or promoting events in their district that demonstrate how every person can move our city in the direction of peace through their daily nonviolent choice and action.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

A Season for Nonviolence, January 30 - April 4, is a national 64-day educational, media, and grassroots campaign dedicated to demonstrating that nonviolence is a powerful way to heal, transform, and empower lives and communities. Inspired by the 50th and 30th memorial anniversaries of Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., this event honors their vision for an empowered, nonviolent world starting with our city.

A Season for Nonviolence was co-founded by Arun and Sunanda Gandhi of the M.K. Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence and a group of ten ministers forming the Leadership Council of The Association for Global New Thought, the organization that convenes A Season for Nonviolence on an annual basis.

A Season for Nonviolence has also been recognized in hundreds of cities in United States and all over the world. More than 350 organizations, religious, business, arts, and learning institutions have elected themselves as official co-sponsors of A Season for Nonviolence initiative.

It is our hope that each of the religious, spiritual and civic leaders and organizations in Long Beach embrace A Season for Nonviolence and bring their own events and activities to their members as a means of encouraging them to build a community that honors the dignity and worth of every human being. The City of Long Beach and its residents, businesses and visitors should aspire to and deserve nothing less in our communities.



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## REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM


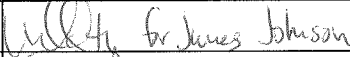

**Date:** January 18, 2013  
**To:** Larry Herrera, City Clerk  
**From:** Suja Lowenthal, Second District  
**Subject:** Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of **January 22, 2013**

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Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

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Council District	Authorizing Councilmember	Signed by
2	Suja Lowenthal	
7	James Johnson	
6	Dee Andrews	

Attachment: Long Beach Heritage Museum Motion

CC: Office of the Mayor