



PROCLAMATION

presented for

*Disability Awareness Month*

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*Whereas*, the Congress of the United States, by joint resolution, approved August 11, 1945, as amended (36 U.S.C. 155), has designated October of each year as "National Disability Employment Awareness Month"; and

*Whereas*, the President of the United State has designated October as "National Disabilities Employment Awareness Month" as a special time for all Americans to recognize the tremendous potential of citizens with disabilities and to renew our commitment to full inclusion and equal opportunity for them, as for every citizen; and

*Whereas*, together we continue to shift disability policy, as well as attitudes, in America from exclusion to inclusion; from dependence to independence; from paternalism to empowerment; and

*Whereas*, 2006, marks the 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

*Whereas*, the City of Long Beach reaffirms its commitment to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and to ensure equal opportunity and full access for persons with a disability; and

*Whereas*, the Citizens Advisory Commission on Disabilities will continue to advise the Mayor, City Council, and City Manager on matters affecting persons with a disability in the area of empowerment, health services, housing, transportation, recreation, and other life activities;

*Now, Therefore*, I, Bob Foster, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, on behalf of the Long Beach City Council, do hereby proclaim **October 2006, as Disability Awareness Month.**



*Bob Foster*  
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Bob Foster  
MAYOR

Dated: October 1, 2006



## PROCLAMATION

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### *Mental Illness Awareness Week*

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*Whereas*, the pain and suffering caused by mental illness are staggering for affected individuals and their families. In addition to treatment costs and lost productivity, persons with mental illness are often at risk for suicide, poverty, homelessness, and imprisonment due to lack of appropriate psychiatric response; and

*Whereas*, almost one in five of the population suffer from a diagnosable mental disorder in any given year, but nearly two-thirds of all people with diagnosable mental disorders do not seek treatment. Applying this data to the City of Long Beach, approximately 100,000 residents suffer from a mental illness, 66,000 of whom do not seek treatment; and

*Whereas*, with appropriate care and treatment, many people with mental illness can live productive and fulfilling lives. Through advocacy and education, the barriers to effective treatment can be diminished, from erasing the negative stigma to bringing understanding of the availability and effectiveness of mental health treatments; and

*Whereas*, observation of Mental Illness Awareness Week educates the Long Beach community on the importance of mental health services and encourages the acceptance of people with mental illness;

*Now, Therefore*, I, Bob Foster, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, on behalf of the Long Beach City Council, do hereby proclaim **October 1-7, 2006** as **Mental Illness Awareness Week**.

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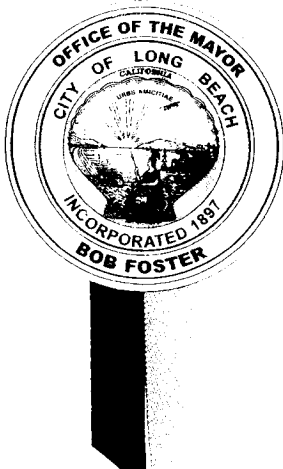
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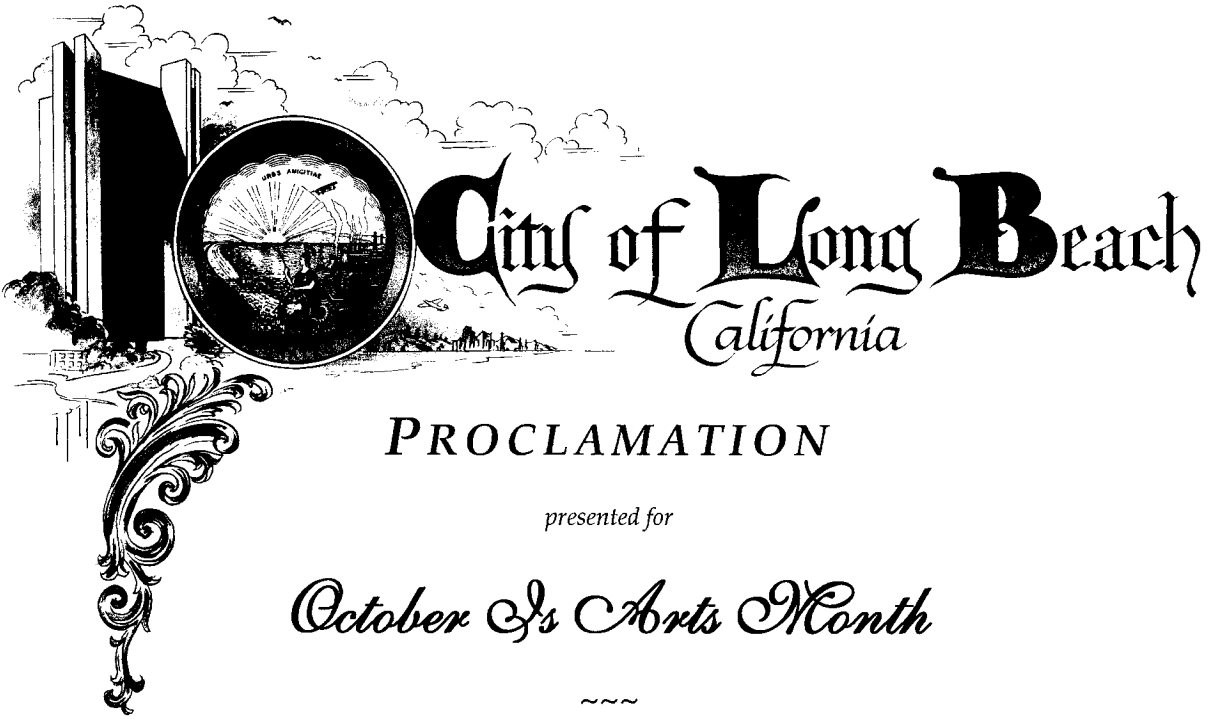
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## PROCLAMATION

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### *October Is Arts Month*

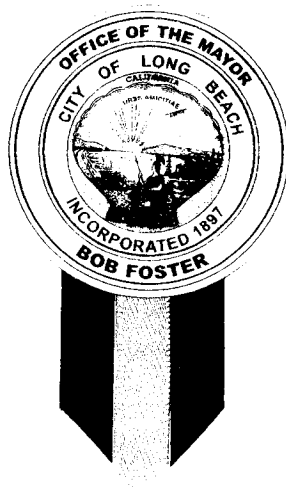
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*Whereas*, Arts and cultural activities presented by artists and organizations throughout Long Beach add balance to the everyday lives of our citizens, enriching us all with an appreciation of the beauty, knowledge and creativity that is at the core of the human spirit; and

*Whereas*, Long Beach's rich cultural legacy and the diverse heritage of our population are treasures we celebrate throughout the year in small and large neighborhoods throughout the city; and

*Whereas*, Through the observation of October Is Arts Month, special emphasis is given to the benefits we receive individually and collectively from visual, performing, folk and traditional arts, and all forms of cultural expression;

*Now, Therefore*, be it resolved I, Bob Foster, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, on behalf of the Long Beach City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2006, as **October Is Arts Month** in Long Beach. I encourage citizens to participate in arts and cultural activities and to acknowledge the artists and organizations that make them possible.



  
Bob Foster  
MAYOR

Dated: October 1, 2006



## **CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION**

*presented to*

*Dr. Gwen Mathews*

*Long Beach Unified School District*

*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

*~ Zelma A. Lipscomb Community Service Award ~*

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## *CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION*

*presented to*

*U. F. Failing Center Foundation*  
*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

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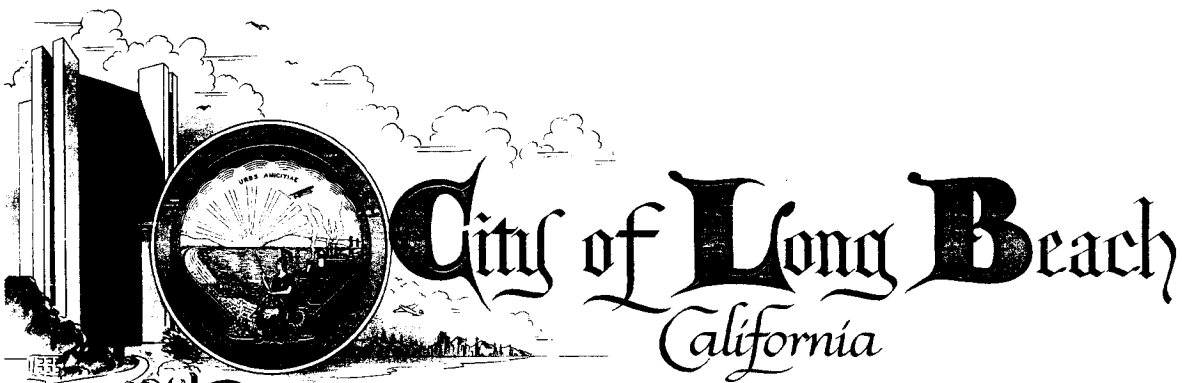
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## CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

*presented to*

*Frances Pains*

*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

*~ Lillie V. Grigsby Memorial Youth Award ~*

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**CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION**

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*Long Beach Midnight Basketball Program*

*Jesse Johnson, Jr.*

*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

*~ Freedom Fund Committee Choice Award ~*

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*Olen M. Scott*

*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

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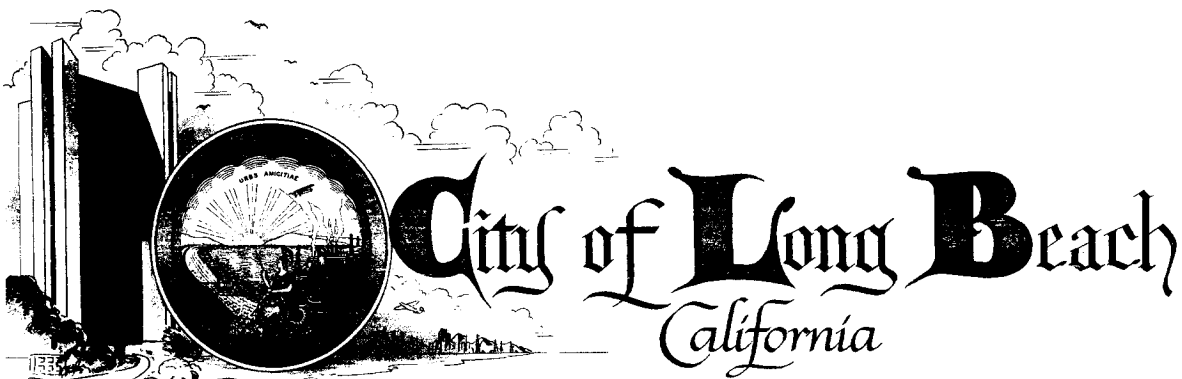
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*Caruthers Financial Services*

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*Mike and Arlene Walter*

*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

*~ Lifetime Achievement Award ~*

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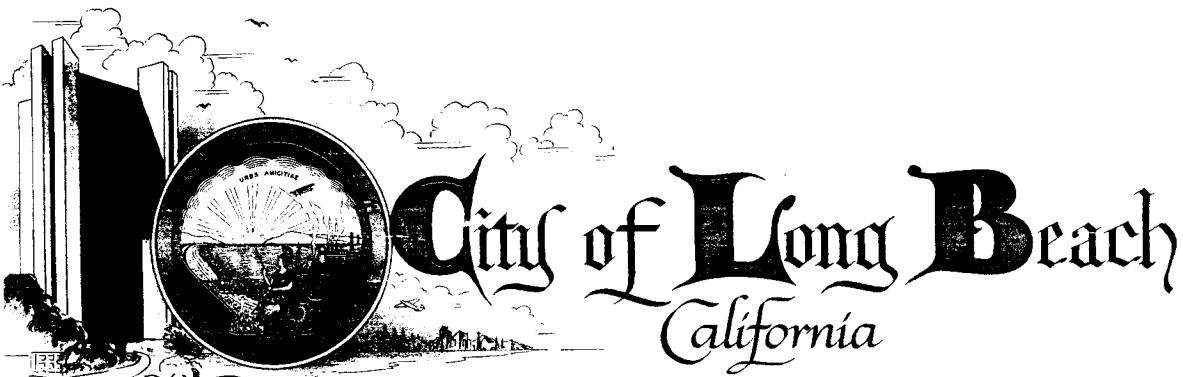
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*Pastor Joe Chaney, Jr.*

*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

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*Anthony Batts, Chief*

*Long Beach Police Department*

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*~ Ernest McBride, Sr. Community Service Award ~*

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*Rachel Eva Plotkin*

*St. Mary Medical Center*

*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

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*Verizon*

*Long Beach Branch NAACP – 27<sup>th</sup> Freedom Fund Banquet*

*~ Corporate Humanitarian Award ~*

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## CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

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*Sharon Diggs-Jackson*

*Long Beach Airport*

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