



## PROCLAMATION OF REMEMBRANCE

*Del Walker*

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*Whereas*, Del Walker was born in Rapid City, South Dakota on September 15, 1913, and having moved with his family to Long Beach in 1927, attended Jefferson Junior High, Wilson High School, Long Beach City College and UCLA; and

*Whereas* while attending Long Beach City College, Del Walker began playing golf, remaining unbeaten in two seasons and winning the 1932 State Junior College title, thus beginning a golf career that was stunning in its success and longevity; and

*Whereas*, Mr. Walker won four Long Beach City titles, his first in 1942, and nine Virginia Country Club titles, his first in 1941 and his last in 1977 as well as dominating the International Seniors Championship in Gleneagles Scotland in 1975, becoming the first inductee in the Long Beach Golf Hall of Fame as well as being officially named Long Beach's Golfer of the Century; and

*Whereas*, Del Walker's service to the public included 8 years as basketball coach at Poly High School, winning the CIF Championship in 1956, serving as Athletic Director and Chairman of the Physical Education Department at Long Beach City College for 18 years, followed by 13 years (1982-94) as CSULB 49er Men's Golf coach; and

*Whereas*, through all of his life Del Walker taught by example the values of honesty, personal integrity, fair play, and hard work, and in so doing became mentor and friend to so many, as well as becoming the embodiment of Long Beach golf;

*Now, Therefore*, I, Bob Foster, Mayor of Long Beach and Tonia Reyes Uranga, 7<sup>th</sup> District Councilmember on behalf of the entire Long Beach City Council do hereby recognize the lifetime achievements of Mr. Del Walker for outstanding contributions in his community, as well as express our sincere sympathy to his family and friends.

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Bob Foster  
MAYOR

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Tonia Reyes Uranga  
Councilwoman, Seventh District

Dated: February 13, 2007