



PROCLAMATION

presented for

Pathways

20th Anniversary

Whereas, Pathways, serving more than 700 clients per year, is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for terminally ill patients, promoting independence and self-esteem for the frail and elderly, assisting family members in their grief before and after death, and special programs for children who have experienced the death of a loved one; and

Whereas, in direct response to the lack of bereavement services for children, Pathways made a commitment to attend to their special needs through the development of a unique, family-centered bereavement program for children called CHANGES; and

Whereas, Pathways provides physical, psychological, social, and spiritual support through trained volunteers; assistance to teach and aid family members in caring for patients at home; emotional and practical support for patients and family members; bereavement support and grief education to patient families and the community; and coordination of professional and volunteer services for patients and their families; and

Whereas, Pathways has a premiere training program to develop hospice, bereavement and volunteer caregiver volunteers that has been referred to as a model of excellence throughout the State of California;

Now, Therefore, I, Beverly O'Neill, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, on behalf of the Long Beach City Council, do hereby honor Pathways twentieth year of service to the community in providing compassionate care to families living with illness and loss in the City of Long Beach.



Beverly O'Neill
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MAYOR

Patrick O'Donnell
Councilmember, Fourth District

Dated: June 14, 2005