

**MAYOR BOB FOSTER**

CITY OF LONG BEACH

May 13, 2008

MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach

RECOMMENDATION:

Recognize 13 exceptional students from the Long Beach Unified School District that will be competing in the Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO).

DISCUSSION

The Long Beach branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) has selected 13 students from the Long Beach Unified School District to compete in the national ACT-SO competition at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida. This is the 30th Anniversary of the ACT-SO program.

ACT-SO is a yearlong enrichment program designed to recruit, stimulate, improve and encourage high academic and cultural achievement among African-American high school students. The ACT-SO program centers around the dedication and commitment of community volunteers and business leaders who serve as mentors and coaches to promote academic and artistic excellence among African-American students. There are 25 categories of competition in the sciences, humanities, performing and visual arts.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Bob Foster
City of Long Beach

Dated: May 5, 2008