

## PROCLAMATION

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## Domestic Diolence Awareness

Whereas, violence against women and children continues to be a prevalent social problem in Long Beach; and

Whereas, during 2003, the Long Beach Police Department responded to 2,396 domestic violence calls; and

Whereas, domestic violence is a serious crime that effects people of all races, ages, income levels, and gender, and shatters families and communities; and

Whereas, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security and humanity through the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse;

Now, Cherefore, I, Beverly O'Neill, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, on behalf of the Long Beach City Council, do hereby urge the citizens of Long Beach to participate in Domestic Violence Awareness by supporting programs throughout the City and to strive to work toward the elimination of both personal and institutional domestic violence which victimizes our fellow citizens daily.

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## National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

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Or hereas, the City of Long Beach has made significant efforts towards resolving the problem of homelessness by coordinating the Continuum of Care since 1996; and

(Whoreas, we need to encourage support for homeless assistance service providers as well as community service opportunities for students and school service organizations; and

Whereas, there are many organizations committed to sheltering, providing supportive services as well as meals and food supplies to the homeless within the City of Long Beach; and

(Whoreas, the national theme of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week 2004 is Bringing America Home; and

(Whereas, the community recognizes that hunger and homelessness continues to be a serious problem for many individuals and families in Long Beach; and

(Whoreas, the intent of National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is consistent with community educational activities;

November 14-20, 2004 as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week and encourage all citizens to recognize that many people do not have adequate food and/or housing and need support from nonprofit service providers, and through private/public partnerships

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