

## City of Long Beach Working Together to Serve

Office of Tonia Reyes Uranga Councilmember, 7<sup>th</sup> District Memorandum

**NB-33** 

Date:

February 14, 2006

To:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From:

Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga, Seventh District/

Subject:

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution Recognizing the 77<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the League

of United Latin American Citizens

Seventy seven years ago, the founders of the League of United Latin American Citizens, better known as LULAC, joined together to establish an organization that would become the largest, oldest and most successful Hispanic civil rights and service organization in the United States. Since its inception on February 17, 1929 in Corpus Christi, Texas, LULAC has championed the cause of Hispanic Americans in education, employment, economic development and civil rights.

LULAC has developed a comprehensive set of nationwide programs fostering educational attainment, job training, housing, scholarships, citizenship, and voter registration. Its members throughout the nation have developed a tremendous track record of success advancing the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, health and civil rights of the Hispanic population of the United States. LULAC has also adopted a legislative platform that promotes humanitarian relief for immigrants, increased educational opportunities for our youth, and equal treatment for all Hispanics in the United States and its territories including the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

This year, the League of United Latin American Citizens will celebrate seventy-seven years of community service to increase educational opportunities and improve the quality of life for Hispanic Americans. I feel the City should join the LULAC Membership in observing the organization's seventy-seven years of service and the outstanding contributions LULAC has made to our country by adopting a City of Long Beach Resolution designating the week of February 13-19, 2006 as "NATIONAL LULAC WEEK".

Suggested Action: Request the City Attorney to draft a resolution designating the week of February 13-19, 2006 as

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