

PROCLAMATION

presented for

Arts Month

October 2004

Whereas, Arts and cultural activities of cultural organizations throughout Long Beach add balance to the everyday lives of our citizens, enriching us all with an appreciation of the beauty, knowledge and creativity that is at the core of the human spirit; and

Whereas, Long Beach's rich cultural legacy and the diverse heritage of our population are treasures we celebrate throughout the year in small and large neighborhoods around the city; and

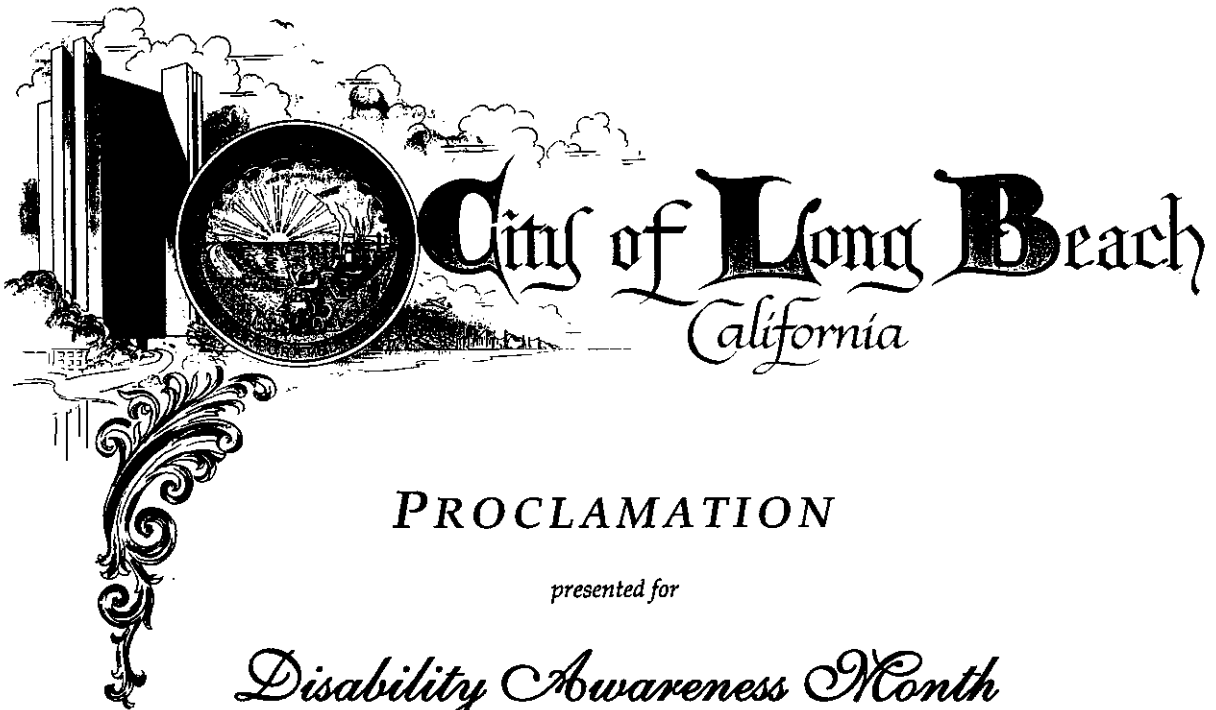
Whereas, through the observation of October Is Arts Month, special emphasis is given to the benefits we receive individually from the visual and performing arts and the many other forms of art including dance, theatre, folk art, traditional, cultural and historic;

Now, Therefore, I, Beverly O'Neill, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2004, as October Is Arts Month in Long Beach and encourage all citizens to participate in arts and cultural activities and to honor those individuals and organizations that make them possible.



Beverly O'Neill
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 MAYOR

Dated: October 5, 2004



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Disability Awareness Month

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Whereas, the Congress of the United States, by joint resolution, approved August 11, 1945, as amended (36 U.S.C. 155), has designated October of each year as "National Disability Employment Awareness Month"; and

Whereas, the President of the United States has designated October as "National Disabilities Employment Awareness Month" as a special time for all Americans to recognize the tremendous potential of citizens with disabilities and to renew our commitment to full inclusion and equal opportunity for them, as for every citizen; and

Whereas, together we continue to shift disability policy, as well as attitudes, in America from exclusion to inclusion; from dependence to independence; from paternalism to empowerment; and

Whereas, 2004, marks the 14th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

Whereas, the City of Long Beach reaffirms its commitment to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and to ensure equal opportunity and full access for people with a disability; and

Whereas, the Citizens Advisory Commission on Disabilities will continue to advise the Mayor, City Council, and City Manager on matters affecting people with a disability in the area of empowerment, health services, housing, transportation, recreation, and other life activities;

Now, Therefore, I, Beverly O'Neill, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, on behalf of the Long Beach City Council, do hereby proclaim October 2004, as Disability Awareness Month.



Beverly O'Neill
MAYOR

Dated: October 5, 2004