



PROCLAMATION

presented for

Domestic Violence Awareness

Whereas, nationwide, October is recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness month; and

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

Whereas, during 2004, the Long Beach Police Department responded to 2,165 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, Therefore, 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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Whereas, according to the most recent census data, the City of Long Beach is one of the most diverse large cities in the nation; and

Whereas, this diversity presents the City of Long Beach with great possibilities for continuing economic growth and cultural enrichment; and

Whereas, the diversity provides our community opportunities to focus on ways in which we can learn from each other and come to a common understanding of ourselves as a multicultural community with shared goals and values; and

Whereas, the City of Long Beach is committed to network resources such as the Human Dignity Program and the Human Relations Commission to ensure a positive quality of life for all; and

Whereas, the City of Long Beach Human Dignity Program serves to foster harmonious relations among the diverse residents of the city; and

Whereas, the City of Long Beach Human Dignity Program and Long Beach City College, Pacific Coast Campus have partnered for a "Peace and Unity" celebration to promote cultural harmony and awareness on the campus and within the community; and

Whereas, October has been declared Cultural Diversity Month in the County of Los Angeles; and

Whereas, the City of Long Beach is proud to partner with the Greater Long Beach National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) to fight bias, bigotry and racism, and to promote positive human relations for all;

Now, Therefore, I, Beverly O'Neill, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, on behalf of the Long Beach City Council, do hereby recognize the multicultural community in the City of Long Beach and in the County of Los Angeles, and proclaim that Long Beach reaffirms its commitment to celebrate its cultural diversity during the month of October.



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