



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to receive and file a presentation in honor of Cambodian Heritage Month.

In April 2005, the City Council adopted a proclamation for the 30-year anniversary of the Killing Fields and recognized April 17th as a day of mourning. In 2007, the cultural designation of Cambodia Town was received and approved by the City Council. In April 2015, the City Council approved a resolution recognizing April as Cambodian Genocide Awareness Month to commemorate the loss and hardship endured during the Cambodian genocide. The Council strives to honor the courage and resilience of its survivors, and it has resolved and acknowledged the numerous contributions of Cambodians to the social and economic revitalization in Long Beach.

The Cambodian community continues to uplift and promote amongst itself while also teaching the surrounding communities about their rich heritage. Currently, at Mark Twain Library, the largest collection of Khmer books is available to the public. In addition, the Anaheim corridor continues to thrive with Cambodian markets, restaurants, clothing stores, and services. Each year, the Cambodian community leaders and organizations come together to host a Cambodian New Year Parade and Festival which attracts the local community and visitors from the greater Los Angeles and Orange

County areas. On April 27, 2019, an additional Cambodian New Year Celebration will be hosted at El Dorado Park and will bring state-wide visitors to the city.

This presentation is a small showcase of the continued contributions of the Cambodian community to Long Beach and we support and applaud their efforts.

No fiscal impact with this presentation.

Approve recommendation.

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