RESOLUTION





A Day of Prayer and Meditation

Whereas, in 1776 the Continental Congress of the United States called upon the President to proclaim a Day of Prayer; and

Whereas, our Founding Fathers believed that God governs in the affairs of people and based their Declaration of Independence upon a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, it is appropriate for the Citizens of Los Angeles to join together in prayer and meditation; and

Whereas, Los Angeles, founded by Father Junipero Serra, a man of prayer, was the first city to host the Billy Graham Crusade in 1949, and is home to many national and international religious organizations as well as some of the largest congregations in America; the history of Los Angeles is held together by a strong thread of spirituality that is interwoven throughout the City. We look to this spiritual bond to bless and fortify the City of the Angels; and

Whereas, the citizenry of Los Angeles is comprised of people from many different parts of the world, we join together to petition all of the deities and sources of inspiration represented in Los Angeles to show us mercy and love, to heal our hurts and to uphold our hope, that we might be mindful of justice for all people and be thankful for the blessings that we have received:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this resolution, the Mayor along with the Los Angeles City Council do hereby declare February 14, 2009 as "A Day of Prayer and Meditation" in Los Angeles and further call upon the Citizens of this great metropolis to gather together on that day to pray or meditate for unity in the hearts of all our Citizens and for peace on earth.

Adopted: January 13, 2009

Presented by:

Janice Hahn

Seconded by:

Mayor and All Councilmembers

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