

CITY OF LOS ANGELES



RESOLUTION

ABS-CBN  
The Filipino Channel

WHEREAS, Filipino Americans and Filipino immigrants have had a profound impact on the history, values and culture of the United States;

WHEREAS, Filipino Americans and Filipino immigrants together make up one of the largest Asian American ethnic groups in the United States today;

WHEREAS, in a land of diversity, Filipino Americans and Filipino immigrants and their families have truly enriched our nation through their active and successful participation in the society, economy, public offices, civic affairs and community activities;

WHEREAS, ABS-CBN International's flagship product, The Filipino Channel (TFC), since 1994 has played a strong role in advancing the collective cause of Filipino Americans and Filipino immigrants by bringing news, entertainment and public service from the Philippines and local communities to the doorstep of every Filipino wherever he or she may be;

WHEREAS, ABS-CBN International's, The Filipino Channel (TFC) for many years, has been a loyal partner of FILVOTE, Filipino Voter's Engagement Project, to spread and promote civic engagement to the Filipino American community;

WHEREAS, TFC has served as a powerful information and cultural bridge between the U.S. and the Philippines;

WHEREAS, TFC has enhanced its role as a proactive player in the constantly changing and highly competitive landscape of international broadcasting;

WHEREAS, TFC continues to build and foster solid relationships with the community it serves by promoting positive values and pride in Filipino identity and heritage:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, by adoption of this resolution, the City Council of the City of Los Angeles, does hereby congratulate ABS-CBN for their many contributions to the Filipino American community and express best wishes for years to come.

September 9, 2011

**ADOPTED**  
SEP 09 2011  
LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

PRESENTED BY: EGH  
COUNCILMEMBER ERIC GARCETTI

SECONDED BY: [Signature]  
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**WHEREAS**, Detective III Dennis English, Serial No. 23198, has completed over 30 years of dedicated and distinguished law enforcement service to the citizens of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Police Department, culminating with his retirement on October 14, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, Detective English was appointed to the Los Angeles Police Department on May 26, 1981 and

**WHEREAS**, Detective English has demonstrated outstanding professional conduct in law enforcement in a variety of assignments, including: Police Officer assigned to Patrol at Van Nuys, West Los Angeles, and Hollywood Divisions, Background Investigator at Personnel Division, Intelligence Analyst and Investigator at Anti-Terrorist Division where he was assigned to the Los Angeles Task Force on Terrorism, Detective in Pacific Division where he investigated Homicides, Detective II in the Robbery-Homicide Division, Bank Robbery Section and Homicide Special Section I where he ultimately promoted to the level of Detective III, acting as the Assistant and Acting OIC; and

**WHEREAS**, Detective English, as a member of the Los Angeles Police Department, served the public and provided nothing short of extraordinary leadership, astuteness and professionalism during some of the City's biggest events while working the 1984 Olympic Games, Pope John Paul II's visit in 1987, the 1992 Riots, the 1994 Northridge Earthquake, the 2000 Democratic National Convention and the September 11, 2001, Terrorist Attacks (9-11) selflessly serving the citizens of Los Angeles and placing the needs of the City ahead of his own; and

**WHEREAS**, Detective English participated in the personal protective details for United States Presidents George H.W. Bush, William Clinton, George W. Bush; and Pope John Paul II; and

**WHEREAS**, Detective English demonstrated his commitment, compassion and thoughtfulness to his fellow law enforcement Officers of the Los Angeles Police Department along with outside law enforcement agencies by investigating over 100 Officer-Involved Shootings in and outside of the City; and

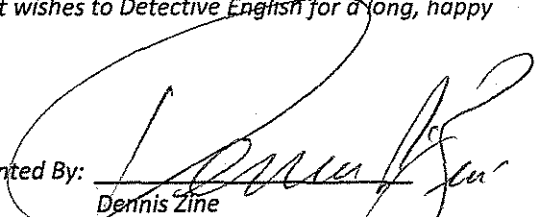
**WHEREAS**, Detective English, during his more than three decades of service, was awarded the Police Meritorious Unit Citation, numerous commendations, letters of appreciation from the Department and Associations, including his superiors, citizens of the community and other law enforcement agencies attesting to his utmost professionalism in police service; and

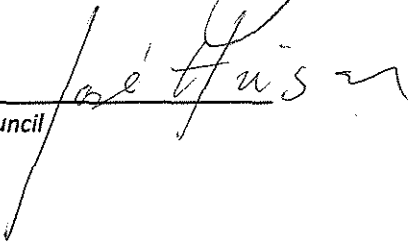
**WHEREAS**, Detective English strived to achieve the highest personal qualities of a dedicated family man, who, with his "ever supportive" wife Linda, successfully raised three boys into mature and responsible proud young men:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that by the adoption of this resolution the Los Angeles City Council along with the Mayor, City Attorney, and City Controller do hereby extend best wishes to Detective English for a long, happy and rewarding retirement.

September 9, 2011

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

Presented By:   
Dennis Zine

Seconded By:   
All Council

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WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has a strong commitment to protect the health and welfare of all animals; and

WHEREAS, this commitment is shared throughout the state as legislators seek to enact effective legislation to prevent the inhumane treatment of animals; and

WHEREAS, all animal protection groups recognize foie gras as inherently cruel, including the Animal Protection and Rescue League (APRL), Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), and In Defense of Animals (IDA); and

WHEREAS, foie gras, or "fatted liver," is made by force feeding ducks or geese large quantities of food for three to four weeks until the birds' livers have expanded to over ten times their healthy size. After being force fed to this point, the birds struggle to breath and walk under their own weight; and

WHEREAS, the cities of San Diego, San Francisco, West Hollywood, Berkeley, Carlsbad and Solana Beach have passed resolutions commending restaurants for removing this product of animal cruelty; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles County voters approved Proposition 2, the Prevention of Farm Animal Cruelty Act, by a wide margin of 66.8% in 2008; and

WHEREAS, in April 2008, the prestigious Pew Commission on Industrial Farm Animal Production concluded a 2.5-year study of American animal agriculture with unanimous findings from its 15 members, chaired by former Kansas governor John Carlin and including former U.S Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman, former Dean of the Univ. of Tennessee's College of Veterinary Medicine Dr. Michael Blackwell, and others who recommended that a number of factory farm practices be stopped, including force feeding ducks and geese to make foie gras; and

WHEREAS, former Governor Schwarzenegger signed SB 1520 into law, which will make it illegal to sell or produce foie gras in California, effective July 1, 2012;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council commends the Animal Protection and Rescue League for raising awareness of the cruel practice of force-feeding ducks and geese to produce foie gras, commends the many Los Angeles restaurants that have stopped selling foie gras before the California statewide ban goes into effect, and encourages Angelenos to avoid supporting this extreme form of animal cruelty.

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

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PRESENTED BY:

*Tony Cardenas*  
TONY CARDENAS

Councilmember, 6<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:

*Bob Rully*

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## RESOLUTION

### 20th Anniversary of the Independence of the Republic of Armenia

WHEREAS, we take great pleasure in honoring the REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA on the 20th anniversary of its independence; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the last three millennia, the Armenian people have flourished and have enjoyed a rich history in the regions that include and surround the current REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA; and

WHEREAS, decades before the establishment of the modern REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA, the illustrious history of the Armenians was marred with an inhumane act the likes of which have rarely been paralleled within the modern world: the Armenian Genocide of 1915; and

WHEREAS, the Armenian people, having just lost 1.5 million of their brethren and determined to overcome dire odds, formed a free, independent and democratic republic on May 28, 1918, the independence of which would prove to be short-lived due to the annexation of that republic into the Soviet Union; and

WHEREAS, on September 21, 1991, the REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA became the first non-Baltic republic to secede from the Soviet Union, ending over 70 years of Soviet dominance; and

WHEREAS, soon after its independence, the fledging REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA was faced with numerous challenges, including severe economic and social woes, the lingering impacts of the devastating 1988 Spitak earthquake, a continuing energy blockade by the Republics of Turkey and Azerbaijan, and the impacts of an armed conflict for the self-determination of the neighboring Republic of Artsakh; and

WHEREAS, despite such challenges, the REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA has blossomed over the last two decades and is now a model democratic state in a region that is too often characterized by instability, corruption and strife; and

WHEREAS, Armenians across the globe, especially the Armenian-American community of Los Angeles, have helped ensure the REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA'S well-being through unwavering moral support, through generous contributions to worthy humanitarian organizations, and through joint business initiatives aimed at developing a robust economic infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, given its unique role as a major center for the Armenia Diaspora, the City of Los Angeles has enjoyed an especially close relationship with the REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA, and, has, since 2007, solidified this bond through a sister city relationship with the Armenian capital city of Yerevan;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby joins the citizens of the REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA and the millions of Armenians throughout the world in celebrating the Republic's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and extends its best wishes for continued stability and prosperity throughout the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

PRESENTED BY:



PAUL KREKORIAN  
Councilmember 2nd District

SECONDED BY:



ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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