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On April 24, 1915, heinous acts were committed by Ottoman Turkey, which resulted in the mass killings of more than one and a half million Armenians. For years, the Armenian community throughout the world, and others who care about justice and the prevention of crimes against humanity, have worked tirelessly to obtain justice from the Turkish government of this act of genocide on the Armenian people.

April 24, 2015 marks the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, and as the Turkish government still refuses to acknowledge the facts of this abominable time in history, the people of Los Angeles will unite in an unprecedented "March for Justice," in an effort to continue to raise awareness of the Armenian Genocide, advocate the need for recognition of this time in history and its impacts on Armenians all over the world, and to ultimately prevent genocides elsewhere in the world. In recognition of this important anniversary, many members of the City Council intend to join this historic march. In order to allow the full participation of the City Councilmembers and other City officials and staff in this event of citywide importance, it is critical that the Council of the City of Los Angeles recess its regularly scheduled meeting. By recessing Council for this centennial event, the City of Los Angeles will make an appropriate observance of all the lives lost and all those impacted by the Armenian Genocide.

WE THEREFORE MOVE that the Council Action of November 14, 2014 relative to the 2015 Council Recess Schedule (CF 15-0001), BE AMENDED to include an additional day of Council Recess on April 24, 2015, in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide.

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