

CITY OF Garden Grove

R E S O L U T I O N

Honoring Jay Mastroianni on the Publication of his book, "Catering Czar"

- WHEREAS,** *Jay Mastroianni labored tirelessly pursuing his dream to create a better life for his family and in the process, became a successful caterer, businessman, and now published author of "Catering Czar"; and*
- WHEREAS,** *In the book, Jay Mastroianni credits his father, Giovanni John Mastroianni, who arrived in the United States 100 years ago, for instilling the idea of a family business in him as a child and setting a successful example for Jay to follow including a motto of "Family First"; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Jay Mastroianni vividly recounts, in his book, his humble beginnings as a 17-year old entrepreneur at a shoe repair shop in New York; and*
- WHEREAS,** *He explains how his wife, Eleanor Mastroianni quit her job as the Assistant Director of Nursing at Palm Harbor Hospital to join him, and form Jay's Catering; and*
- WHEREAS,** *"Catering Czar" details a time, after almost going bankrupt in the early 70's, of a 250,000 loan obtained from a trusted friend that allowed Jay Mastroianni to rebuild his business by purchasing a 3,000 square-foot storefront at 12222 Brookhurst Street in Garden Grove; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The fact that Jay's Catering has now been passed on to the next generation of Mastroiannis and continues to thrive providing exceptional service for as many as 100 catering jobs a day is spoken of in great detail in the book; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Through many trials and tribulations, Jay Mastroianni has succeeded in creating a strong family foundation, a multi-million dollar business, and a lasting legacy documented by his book.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Garden Grove City Council does hereby venerably honor the life and times of Jay Mastroianni, founder of Jay's Catering, as chronicled in the *Catering Czar*, a story of triumph through perseverance.

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Mayor



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