

Proclamation
Donate Life California Month
April 2012

- WHEREAS, The City of Garden Grove recognizes that the constant need for organ, tissue, marrow and blood donation is the difference between life and death in most instances; and
- WHEREAS, Through blood donation alone, City of Garden Grove employees have contributed to the wellbeing of more than 2,000 people in our community over the past decade; and
- WHEREAS, Organ, tissue, marrow and blood donation are safe, life-giving acts, making ordinary people quiet heroes in their community by saving lives with each donation; and
- WHEREAS, One person dies every 90 minutes while waiting for donated organs, but a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives; donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of up to 50 others; and a single blood donation can help three people in need; and
- WHEREAS, More than 100,000 individuals nationwide, and over 20,000 in California alone, are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list; and
- WHEREAS, Millions of lives are saved and healed by organ, tissue, marrow and blood donors, and the spirit of giving is not restricted by age or medical condition; and
- WHEREAS, When applying for, or renewing driver's licenses or ID cards at the California Department of Motor Vehicles, nearly nine-million heroes have signed up with the state-authorized donate Life California registry to be organ and tissue donors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Garden Grove does hereby proclaim the month of April 2012 as "DMV / Donate Life California Month" in the City of Garden Grove, and in doing so, encourage all citizens to check "YES!" when applying for or renewing their driver's license or I.D. card, or by signing up at www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org.

April 1, 2012

William J. Dalton, Mayor

Dina Nguyen, Mayor Pro Tem

Steven R. Jones, Council Member

Bruce A. Broadwater, Council Member

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Recommended for Approval


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