

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Joe Salaices, Superintendent of the Griffith Region, oversees Griffith Park, one of North America’s largest municipal parks and the largest historic landmark in the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, Joe’s entire City career has been with the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks as a part-time Recreation Aide with responsibilities of mopping the floors of the office, selling hot dogs, and selling LA Zoo tickets; and

WHEREAS, on December 22, 1982, Joe Salaices was hired full-time as a Park Services Attendant and was continually promoted to Senior Park Services Attendant, Principal Park Services Attendant and then December 16, 2012 was promoted to Park Services Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, he worked tireless days to support his family and put himself through school at Glendale City College and Cal State LA where he got his degree in Public Administration; and

WHEREAS, Joe was the Recreation and Parks liaison to the Griffith Park Advisory Board, Equestrian Advisory Committee, and Hollywood Sign Trust to engage with the passionate community; and

WHEREAS, he brought long awaited trail signage throughout Griffith Park and Runyon Canyon Park improving safety for all park visitors and greatly reducing the number of rescues in these areas; and

WHEREAS, through his leadership, Griffith Park has become more socially equitable and accessible for all Angelenos and visitors alike through innovative mobility solutions, including connections to public transit, a parkwide circulator, and study of an Aerial Transit System; and

WHEREAS, Joe conceived the successful Griffith Observatory Circulation and Parking Enhancement Plan that brings over 14 million dollars to the department which supports a 7-day a week public transit system into the park with a ridership of 500,000; and

WHEREAS, he is an “out-of-the-box” thinker and “idea man” whose visions have laid strong foundations to continue the problem solving of overseeing one of the nation’s largest municipal parks; and

WHEREAS, his staff adores him beyond measure often citing his one flaw is being very bad at returning text messages; and

WHEREAS, Joe puts his family in the center of his universe and is a loving husband, incredible father, proud grandfather and “dad” to Paul, Ted, and Rico; and

WHEREAS, Joe Salaices retires from a distinguished career at the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, February 2020, after 42 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Joe Salaices’ legacy and legend will be part of Griffith Park forevermore!

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the Los Angeles City Council does hereby commend Joe Salaices for his 42 years of outstanding service to the Recreation and Parks Department and the City of Los Angeles, and on behalf of the people of this City, we extend our best of wishes to Joe in his retirement.

PRESENTED BY: 
DAVID E. RYU
Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY: 
ALL MEMBERS

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RESOLUTION
Lauren Patricia Padick

- WHEREAS,** Lauren Padick was born in Lancaster, CA and raised in the San Fernando Valley by two hard working and dedicated mothers, attended LAUSD schools from K-12, and is a proud Granada Hills High School Highlander; and
- WHEREAS,** She attended Pierce College in Woodland Hills and transferred to the University of California, Irvine where she graduated with a degree in Political Science; and
- WHEREAS,** As a UCI Anteater she was involved with the Olive Tree Initiative, actively engaging with speakers and seminars from a variety of political, religious, and philosophical perspectives in order to gain a holistic understanding of the Middle East Region and getting an opportunity to see places like Israel, Jordan, West Bank, New York City and Washington D.C; and
- WHEREAS,** For nearly the past six years, Lauren Padick has been an integral part of Council President Nury Martinez's office, serving in a number of different roles, beginning as one of the office's first interns in the Van Nuys District Office in 2013; and
- WHEREAS,** In the fall of 2014 she was officially brought on to the Council District Six staff and began her career as a case worker in the Van Nuys District Office and quickly moved up to serve as a Field Deputy for the community of Lake Balboa; and
- WHEREAS,** As the Lake Balboa Field Deputy, she played an instrumental role in delivering vital constituent services such as community clean ups, tree trimming, street resurfacing and transportation improvements for pedestrians; and
- WHEREAS,** Lauren became extremely knowledgeable on a number of quality of life issues affecting District Six and the City of Los Angeles as a whole, from the airport issues to homelessness to planning and LGBTQ issues; and
- WHEREAS,** LGBTQ issues are near and dear to her heart as she saw the struggles her family suffered and wanted to ensure all families in the City of Los Angeles have a safe welcoming place to live, work and thrive; and
- WHEREAS,** Lauren was the lead organizer of the Valley Pride Festival which is now in its sixth year, bringing a much needed resources to LGBTQ families for the San Fernando Valley and promoting the importance of Family Acceptance. Lauren grew the event from a successful film screening with over 150 attendees to annual festival with over a dozen performances, hundreds of vendors and serving over 1,000 community members; and
- WHEREAS,** She was elected in 2019 to serve on the executive board of the Democratic Party of the San Fernando Valley and serves on the endorsements committee; and
- WHEREAS,** Her enthusiasm for makeup and debates means Lauren is always open to engage in a passionate debate about the issues that matter to her community while looking flawless; and
- WHEREAS,** Lauren is an integral part of everything that Council District Six does, and her work ethic and determination set an example for all to follow. She set a standard of excellence that Council District Six staff will continue to uphold. The CD6 Family will miss her greatly as she will be bringing her talents and curiosity for learning to the Department of City Planning.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by adoption of this Resolution, the Los Angeles City Council hereby commends and recognizes Lauren Padick for her dedicated service to the office of Council District Six, its constituents, and the Greater City of Los Angeles.

PRESENTED BY: _____


NURY MARTINEZ
Councilwoman, 6th District

SECONDED BY: _____


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WHEREAS, cardiovascular diseases are the leading cause of death among women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, heart disease and stroke can affect all women at any age, while new research shows a rise in heart attacks in younger women; and


WHEREAS, about eighty percent of cardiac events can be prevented through education and lifestyle changes; and

WHEREAS, all women are encouraged to move more, eat smart, and manage blood pressure to reduce their risk of cardiovascular disease; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women movement motivates women to learn their family history and to meet with a healthcare provider to determine their risk for cardiovascular diseases and stroke.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Los Angeles City Council proclaims February as American Heart Month and joins governments, healthcare professionals, employers, NGOs and individuals to reduce the incidence of cardiovascular disease and make it a health priority in the City of Angels.

PRESENTED BY:


MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY:



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