RESOLUTION

In Recognition of Raymond P. Ciranna

WHEREAS, Raymond P. Ciranna is retiring from the City of Los Angeles after 9 years of dedicated and effective service as General Manager of Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions, and more than 32 years of overall service to the City; and

WHEREAS, before joining the City, Raymond graduated from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona in 1987, with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, he joined the City in 1989 as a Management Assistant with the Office of the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, Raymond subsequently worked in various divisions of the Public Works Bureau of Engineering and Bureau of Sanitation; and

WHEREAS, he then joined the Office of the City Administrative Officer, working in various capacities for 13 years, including Assistant City Administrative Officer, Executive Officer, and Interim City Administrative Officer; and

WHEREAS, he became the General Manager of Los Angeles Fire and Police Pensions in May 2013, dedicating his remaining years of service to protecting and advancing the retirement security of over 26,000 members and beneficiaries of the System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles expresses its sincerest gratitude and appreciation to Raymond P. Ciranna for his unwavering dedication and service to the City of Los Angeles, and best wishes for his continued success in all endeavors.

PRESENTED BY:

PAUL KORETZ

Councilmember, 5th District

SECONDED BY

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RESOLUTION PROCLAMATION FOR AUGUST 31 AS COSTA RICAN DAY

- WHEREAS, since the diplomatic relations between the United States and Costa Rica began in 1851, friendly relations have been maintained based on mutual respect for democratic liberties and coexistence and
- WHEREAS the United States is the main commercial partner of Costa Rica in exports, imports and tourism and a strong commitment has been established between both countries to reduce barriers and promote the inclusion of people both socially and economically. As part of this relationship, Costa Rica is visited by more than one million Americans a year and
- WHEREAS the United States has become a main destination for international migratory flow for Costa Ricans and the immigrant population from Costa Rica in Los Angeles and the state of California has been minimal compared to immigrants from the rest of the Central American countries. In the last 20 years, the percentage of Costa Ricans immigrating to the United States is approximately 0.19% to 0.21% and
- WHEREAS in the last decade, the percentage of Costa Rican immigrants who obtained citizenship was 45.4% the majority of which are women and
- WHEREAS Costarican immigrants in Los Angeles and neighboring cities are fully integrated into the workforce, working in educational services, science, arts, health services, recreation, lodging, food, transportation, production, manufacturing and construction and
- WHEREAS the full integration of Costa Ricans into the active conglomerate of Los Angeles has been achieved along with the rest of the communities of Central American origin and other immigrants
- WHEREAS Costa Rican immigrants living in Los Angeles have built spaces with
 the new cultural forms and values and economic relationship that need to be
 recognized and identified in a genuine and natural way by the authorities of the City
 and the point of arrival where the Costarican community converges as its main
 center of reference, communication, and socialization with the rest of the
 immigrant population of Los Angeles and



- WHEREAS most of the major civic, patriotic, historical, and official activities are held at the headquarters of the Consulate General of Costa Rica in Los Angeles, located in Council District One at 1605 W. Olympic Blvd. They also participated and formed the historical point of the Plaza Morazan, known as Plaza Centro America and MacArthur Park as the meeting point for the immigrant population of Los Angeles
- WHEREAS the Non Profit organization ACUDE (Art and Culture for Human Development) was founded in 2007 and spearheaded making the Day of the Costa Rican official before the authorities of the City of Los Angeles, who is recognized by the City of Los Angeles as the authors and founders of this annual recognition

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council does hereby recognize AUGUST 31 as the Celebration date of the Costa Rican Day (DIA DEL COSTARRICENSE) in the City of Los Angeles.

Presented by:

Gibert Cedillo

Councilmember, First District

Seconded by

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