

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Islamic civilization and culture has made significant contributions to the arts, sciences, education, architecture, and other fields; and

WHEREAS, Muslims have been a part of the social and historic fabric of the United States for almost 500 years, since the first Muslims arrived to this land as slaves; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles is one of the most multicultural places in the nation and is home to ethnically and racially diverse Muslim communities from around the world whose faith is welcome here; and

WHEREAS, Muslims believe that God revealed the first verses of the Qur'an, Islam's sacred text, to the Prophet Muhammad during the holy month of Ramadan, the ninth month of the Islamic calendar; and

WHEREAS, Ramadan is a time of fasting, spiritual discipline and renewal, and increased God-consciousness, charity, and generosity for Muslims worldwide; and

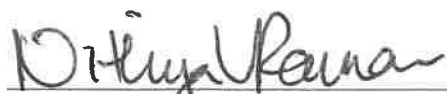
WHEREAS, one of the main purposes of fasting during Ramadan is for Muslims to gain a better understanding of the plight faced by those who are less fortunate and recommit to working toward social justice; and

WHEREAS, the traditional breaking of the fast, the Iftar, has been hosted at Los Angeles City Hall countless times with members of all faith traditions sharing meals, stories, and equity-oriented visions in an inclusive space; and

WHEREAS, Ramadan will likely commence at dusk on Saturday, April 2, and will last for a lunar month;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby celebrates the upcoming observance of Ramadan and wishes the Muslim community "Ramadan Mubarak."

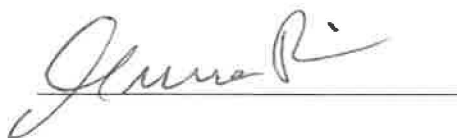
PRESENTED BY:



NITHYA RAMAN

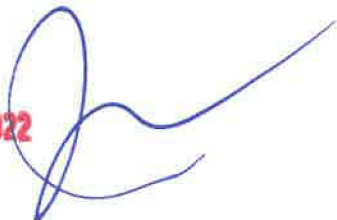
Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY:



ORIGINAL

MAR 30 2022



CITY OF LOS ANGELES



RESOLUTION

Ashanti

WHEREAS, Ashanti is a Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter, actress and author. She burst onto the music scene with her smash hit, self-titled debut album *Ashanti*. It landed the #1 spot on both the Billboard Top 200 and R&B album charts, selling a whopping 504,593 units in its first week and set a SoundScan record as the most albums sold by any debut female artist in the chart's history, granting her a spot in the Guinness Book of World Records, which she still holds today; and

WHEREAS, Ashanti has released six studio albums and received eight Billboard Awards, a Grammy, two American Music Awards, two Soul Train Awards, six ASCAP Awards, and many illustrious honors. Ashanti has continued to reign at the top as one of Billboard's "Top Females of the Decade from 2000-2010" and continues to break Billboard records as having a Hot 100 entry in the 2000's, 2010's and 2020's; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, Ashanti made her telefilm debut starring as Dorothy in *The Muppets' Wizard of Oz*, opposite Miss Piggy and Kermit. She also starred in the Disney-animated series *The Proud Family* and continued to receive roles in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, *Army Wives*, *Sabrina*, the *Teenage Witch*, and portrayed Dionne Warwick on NBC's *American Dreams*. She has also played herself and performed on the hit TV series *Vegas*; and

WHEREAS, her first feature film, *Coach Carter*, was a #1 box-office hit. Ashanti's other film credits include *Resident Evil Extinction*, *John Tucker Must Die* and Bollywood film *Bride & Prejudice*. Ashanti executive-produced and starred in the musical drama and feature film *STUCK*, released April 2019. She also executive-produced the feature film *Mothers and Daughters*, starring Sharon Stone, Susan Sarandon, Mira Sorvino and more; and

WHEREAS, Ashanti recently starred in *Honey Girls*, in partnership with Build-A-Bear Entertainment and Sony Pictures and will soon begin filming *The Plus One* in April 2022, that she will star in and executive produce; and

WHEREAS, Ashanti has built her brand with several major partnerships and has her own fragrance, "Precious Jewel" with AMC Beauty. Her endorsements include Herbal Essences, where she is the first African American to land a national campaign, and Candies Apparel. She launched her clothing line in collaboration with Miss Circle and partnered with Pretty Little Thing to create her own swimsuit line "Ashanti;" and

WHEREAS, she has written her first book of poetry through Hyperion titled *Foolish/Unfoolish: Reflections on Love* and will release a book with Harper Collins in May 2022; and

WHEREAS, Ashanti is the Ambassador for the Jumpstart Reading Program and became the "Youth of the Year" Ambassador for the Boys and Girls Club of America in 2009 and was also inducted into their Hall of Fame. She became a member of their "BE GREAT" Campaign with Denzel Washington, was also a part of the "Let's Move" campaign with Michelle Obama; and

WHEREAS, recently, Ashanti made history again as the first, Black female artist to partner and be a co-founder of a Web3 tech company, EQ Exchange; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, April 7, 2022, Ashanti will be immortalized by the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce with the 2,718 star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council does hereby commend and congratulate the **ASHANTI** on the occasion of being presented with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Best wishes on many years of continued growth and success on all future endeavors.

Presented by:

MITCH O'FARRELL
Councilmember, 13th District

Seconded by:

All Members

MAR 30 2022

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RESOLUTION
DETECTIVE I SHERYL REYNOLDS

WHEREAS, Detective I Sheryl Reynolds, Serial Number 27536, began her law enforcement career on March 27, 1990, when she was appointed as a sworn member of the Los Angeles Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Detective Reynolds served with honor and integrity in a variety of assignments including Training Division as a Recruit Officer; Wilshire, Newton, Southeast, and Harbor Areas as a Police Officer; and 77th Street and Harbor Areas as a Detective; and

WHEREAS, Detective Reynolds displayed extraordinary professionalism during some of the City's most historic events, such as the 2020 Los Angeles Civil Unrest and the 2020 presidential election; and

WHEREAS, Detective Reynolds has been the recipient of numerous commendations from her supervisors, commanding officers, residents, and the business community for her investigative skills, work ethic, professionalism, integrity, outstanding work performance, and efforts in crime reduction; and

WHEREAS, Detective Reynolds throughout her remarkable career served the Los Angeles Police Department and the City of Los Angeles with pride and distinction; going above and beyond the call of duty. She will be retiring on April 30, 2022. Her respect for the community she served speaks volumes about her character:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council commends and congratulates DETECTIVE I SHERYL REYNOLDS for her 32 years of dedicated service to the residents of the City of Los Angeles and extends best wishes for a long, happy and well-deserved retirement.

PRESENTED BY:



JOE BUSCAINO
Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY:



ALL MEMBERS

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RESOLUTION
DETECTIVE II CARRIE KATSUMATA

WHEREAS, Detective II Carrie Katsumata, Serial Number 30832, began her law enforcement career with the Los Angeles Police Department on April 18, 1994, when she was appointed as a sworn member of the Department; and

WHEREAS, Detective Katsumata served with honor and integrity in a variety of assignments including Training Division; Pacific, Newton, Rampart Areas, and various administrative assignments; Commercial Crimes Division, Detective Support and Vice Division, Juvenile Division, Internal Affairs Division, Risk Management Executive Committee and Harbor Area; and


WHEREAS, Detective Katsumata, as a member of the LAPD, displayed extraordinary professionalism during some of the City's most historic events, such as the September 11th Department Operations Center Activation in 2001, the 2009 Lakers Parade, and the 2019 United Teachers LA Strike; and

WHEREAS, Detective Katsumata has been the recipient of numerous commendations from her supervisors and commanding officers for her leadership, professionalism, and outstanding work performance, including recognition as Employee of the Year and Detective Supervisor of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Detective Katsumata throughout her remarkable career served the Los Angeles Police Department and the City of Los Angeles with pride and distinction; going above and beyond the call of duty. She will be retiring on April 30, 2022. Her respect for the residents she served speaks volumes about her character:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council commends and congratulates DETECTIVE II CARRIE KATSUMATA for her 28 years of dedicated service to the residents of the City of Los Angeles and extends best wishes for a long, happy and well-deserved retirement.

PRESENTED BY: _____


JOE BUSCAINO
Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY: _____


ALL MEMBERS

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, we honor Jeremy Oberstein and his selfless service to the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, previous to his career with the City, he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in both Political Science and International Relations from the University of California, Los Angeles, and, upon graduation, worked as a journalist, writing stories on local, state, and federal politics; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Oberstein joined the City in January 2010 as the Director of Communications for Councilmember Paul Krekorian, after previously serving as his Press Secretary for the 43rd State Assembly District; and

WHEREAS, in March 2015, Mr. Oberstein went on to serve the Los Angeles Fire Department as the Government Affairs and Social Media Director, where he led the department's communications and policy initiatives; and

WHEREAS, in October 2017, Mr. Oberstein accepted a position in the Office of the Controller as the Communications Director and quickly established himself as a leader, serving as the Deputy Chief of Staff and Chief of Staff; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Oberstein, as Chief of Staff, oversaw all facets of the Controller's initiatives, including the Government Affairs, Communications and Innovation, Community Engagement, and Scheduling divisions; and

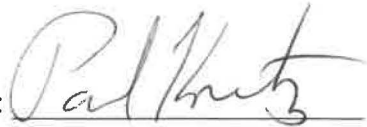
WHEREAS, in each of his leadership roles, he advocated for the Office of the Controller, his employees, and the well-being of all Angelenos; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Oberstein is a City history enthusiast and adores Los Angeles – from its obscure alleyways to its best music venues – and is a devoted Los Angeles Dodgers fan, loving husband, and father to two beautiful daughters; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Oberstein leaves the City of Los Angeles after 12 years of dedicated service marked by immeasurable skill and unrivaled enthusiasm;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Los Angeles extends its warmest congratulations to Jeremy Oberstein for his outstanding, dedicated, and impactful service to the citizens of the City of Los Angeles and extends best wishes for success in his new endeavors.

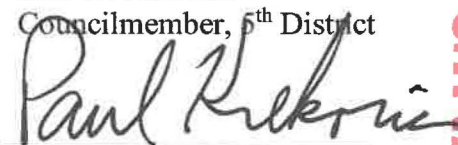
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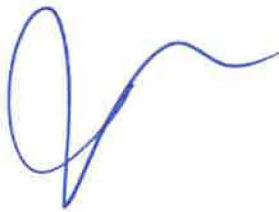
PAUL KORETZ

Councilmember, 5th District

SECONDED BY:



ALL MEMBERS



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RESOLUTION

~~PROCLAMATION~~

Honoring Founder Anne Douglas

And

Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Anne Douglas Center for Women

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Douglas has been a recognized philanthropist and esteemed patron of the homeless in the City of Los Angeles for more than thirty years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Douglas, wife of Award-Winning Actor Kirk Douglas, perceived the critical need for a safe refuge for destitute women in inner-city Los Angeles and established the Anne Douglas Center for Women at the Los Angeles Mission that opened its doors on February 14, 1992; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anne Douglas' vision in building a Center for women with a beautiful, nurturing home-like environment that provides meals, clothing, self-worth and spiritual counseling, academics and recreation has successfully demonstrated her passion and determination to create a safe place with love for women to thrive. We applaud and celebrate Mrs. Douglas as a recognized patron in lifting the plight of women who become positive contributors to society as they regain their independence and reunite with their families; and

WHEREAS, On this 30th Anniversary Celebration of the Anne Douglas Center for Women, sincere appreciation is extended to Mrs. Douglas for her compassion, commitment and generous contributions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by adoption of this resolution that the City of Los Angeles does hereby honor posthumously, Anne Douglas, Philanthropist and Founder of the Anne Douglas Center for Women, and offer Congratulations on the 30th Anniversary of the Center that continues to provide vital services to heal and transform the lives of homeless women of Skid Row and the greater Los Angeles community.

PRESENTED BY


NURY MARTINEZ
Councilwoman, 6th District

SECONDED BY:


ALL COUNCIL

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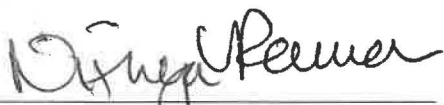
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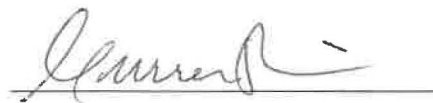
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SECONDED BY:



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