

COUNCIL ROLL CALL

ITEM(S) # COMMENDATORY Called Special By \_\_\_\_\_

☐ CLOSED SESSION

☐ Beginning

☐ Reconvene

RESOLUTIONS

MOVER : LEE

SECONDER: BONIN

WITHDRAWN FROM AGENDA  
REFERRED TO:

MOTION ☐ AMENDING ☐ SUBSTITUTE ☐

CONTINUED TO:

10 VOTES TO CONSIDER: ☐ PUB HRG ☐

CLOSE ☐

COMMENTS

	YES	NO
<u>BLUMENFIELD</u>	✓	
<u>BONIN</u>	✓	
<u>BUSCAINO</u>	✓	
<u>CEDILLO</u>	✓	
<u>DE LEÓN</u>	<del>✓</del>	
<u>HARRIS-DAWSON</u>	✓	
<u>KORETZ</u>	<del>✓</del>	
<u>KREKORIAN</u>	<del>✓</del>	
<u>LEE</u>	✓	
<u>MARTINEZ</u>	✓	
<u>O'FARRELL</u>	✓	
<u>PRICE</u>	✓	
<u>RAMAN</u>	<del>✓</del>	
<u>RODRIGUEZ</u>	<del>✓</del>	
<u>WESSON</u>	✓	
TOTALS	10	0

U.V. ☐

ADOPTED ☒

FAILED ☐

FORTHWITH ☐

TO MAYOR ☐

ORD OVER ☐

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

# CITY OF LOS ANGELES



## RESOLUTION

### Valentin Palos Amezcuita

**WHEREAS**, Valentin Palos Amezcuita started his 35-year career (just shy by 1 month as of effective retirement date of June 1, 2022) with the City of Los Angeles at its Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) Haynes Power Plant in August 4, 1987 and worked as a laboratory technician there and subsequently with the Power System Environmental Chemistry and Water System Water Quality Division Laboratories performing various field sampling and chemical analyses up until 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, Valentin Palos Amezcuita continued his career at the Port of Los Angeles (Harbor Department) from 1990 to 2000 working as an Environmental Scientist in the Environmental Management Division preparing and managing environmental assessment reports for capital development and lease renewal projects, including preparing Request for Proposals for respective professional services; and

**WHEREAS**, Valentin Palos Amezcuita transferred back to LADWP in 2000 in the LADWP Joint System Corporate Environmental Affairs in the Environmental Assessment Group continuing to conduct environmental assessment reports and related resource permitting for in-basin repowering projects, including managing the Recycling Program and related contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, Valentin Palos Amezcuita did a lateral transfer to the Efficiency Solutions Division in late 2008 to assist the newly appointed Director of Environmental Engineering to support with the preparation of the High Efficiency Plumbing Fixtures Ordinance adopted in 2009 as well as begin the retrofit of all its 317 facilities (600+ buildings) with the same water saving fixtures of 20% per device installed; and


**WHEREAS**, Valentin Palos Amezcuita continued to work as Project Manager of various studies (2014 Energy Efficiency Potential Study [led to the identification of 15% energy savings potential and target set for attainment in City], 2016 Energy Intensity Study of its water distribution system) while supporting management with a myriad of tasks and research on sustainable efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Valentin Palos Amezcuita's diligence and persistence was instrumental in support of the planning and installation of emerging technologies at the La Kretz Innovation Campus (prepared Memoranda of Agreement [MOA] for sponsorship by industry of the equipment [manufacturer donated] for the graywater treatment system and microgrid battery energy storage system [BESS] assets, including working on the design and installation of the Water Conservation Demonstration and Testing Laboratory at La Kretz [which was followed with an MOU with IAPMO for collaboration on validation of test results] and more recently ongoing work with academia to study and bring a green hydrogen fuel cell unit to La Kretz); and

**WHEREAS**, all the foregoing efforts, projects, and diligence by Valentin Palos Amezcuita have had a significant impact in the City of Los Angeles' leadership to maintain and support the business climate of such activities and services but also contribute toward making a more sustainable environment and quality of life for its residents, businesses, and visitors:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Los Angeles City Council Council acknowledges and recognizes the career of **VALENTIN PALOS AMEZQUITA** for his exemplary service and commitment to the City of Los Angeles for helping to make it a diverse, innovative, sustainable and vibrant region economically, consistent with leadership in various areas of human endeavor to improve the quality of life for all who live, play and work in the City.

Presented by:

  
MITCH O'FARRELL  
Councilmember, 13<sup>th</sup> District

Seconded by:

  
All Members

  
MAY 13 2022

ORIGINAL

## Resolution

**WHEREAS**, approximately 466 million people worldwide, including 34 million children, have disabling hearing loss; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization estimates by 2050 over 900 million people – 1 in every 10 – will have disabling hearing loss; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 48 million Americans have some degree of hearing loss and people with hearing impairments wait on average 7 years before seeking help; and

**WHEREAS**, hearing issues are the most common service-connected disability among American veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, the number of adults in the United States 20 years or older with hearing loss is expected to increase from 44.7 million in 2022 to 73.5 million by 2060; and

**WHEREAS**, individuals with mild hearing loss are 3 times more likely to experience a fall, and falls are the leading cause of fatal injury for Americans over 65; and

**WHEREAS**, seniors with hearing loss are more likely to develop cognitive problems and experience cognitive decline up to 40 percent faster than those without hearing loss; and

**WHEREAS**, untreated hearing loss can lead to depression, anxiety and social isolation, especially during the coronavirus pandemic; and


**WHEREAS**, uneven coverage of and access to hearing technology and services contribute to significant disparities in healthcare; and

**WHEREAS**, timely access to diagnosis and treatment for hearing conditions by qualified hearing healthcare professionals can improve outcomes and reduce overall cost of care; and

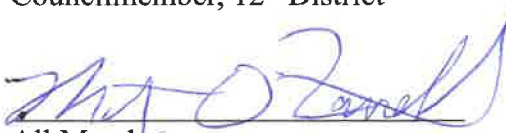
**WHEREAS**, engaging parents, educators and community leaders is of great importance to raise awareness and support those with hearing disorders; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that by adoption of this Resolution, the Los Angeles City Council declares the month of May 2022 as Better Hearing Month in the City of Los Angeles.

Presented by:

  
John S. Lee  
Councilmember, 12<sup>th</sup> District

Seconded by:

  
All Members

  
MAY 13 2022

ORIGINAL



CITY OF LOS ANGELES



RESOLUTION

**Terry Brungard**

**WHEREAS**, Terry Brungard is a 36 year veteran of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP); and

**WHEREAS**, Terry Brungard was an experienced engineer within Efficiency Solutions Engineering Group, Energy Efficiency Division, Electric Transportation Program and Power System; and

**WHEREAS**, Terry Brungard was instrumental in designing and programming LADWP's portion of the La Kretz Innovation Campus; and

**WHEREAS**, Terry Brungard developed multiple exhibits showcasing water and power operations to educate visitors to La Kretz Innovation Campus; and

**WHEREAS**, Terry Brungard coordinated the display of Emerging Technologies such as the Microgrid within the La Kretz Innovation Campus; and


**WHEREAS**, Terry Brungard deployed over 350 electric vehicles within the LADWP Fleet of vehicles in the mid 1990's, giving LADWP one of the largest EV fleets in the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Terry Brungard implemented a "Condition Based Maintenance" program at Haynes Generating Station, performing equipment maintenance based on diagnostics; and


**WHEREAS**, Terry Brungard performed as Project Manager on multiple steam generator overhauls of vital "in-basin" generating facilities:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Los Angeles City Council Council acknowledges and recognizes the career of **TERRY BRUNGARD** for his exemplary service and commitment to the City of Los Angeles.

Presented by:

  
MITCH O'FARRELL  
Councilmember, 13<sup>th</sup> District

Seconded by:

  
All Members

  
MAY 13 2022

ORIGINAL