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The Groundlings Day

WHEREAS, in 1972, Groundling's Founder Gary Austin assembled fellow performers in Los Angeles to work on their craft of improvisation, and eventually, a core group began to present workshops and showcases of their material at venues around the city; and

WHEREAS, in 1974, Gary Austin announced the formation of a theater company, taking its name from low-born, Shakespearean-era, playgoers who could not afford seats and had to stand on the ground, in front of the stage. Thus, "The Groundlings" was officially incorporated with about fifty founding members in the company; and

WHEREAS, membership in the company eventually grew to ninety performers presenting workshops seven days a week and sold-out shows on weekends, The Groundlings acquired a permanent home at 7307 Melrose Avenue; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, the company completed the construction of a ninety-nine-seat theater designed by Archie Hahn, and opened The Groundlings School with founder, Gary Austin, and Artistic Director, Tom Maxwell, along with Phyllis Katz, and Tracy Newman as its teachers; and

WHEREAS, the Main Company was eventually capped at 40 performers who collectively acted as the organization's artistic directors, democratically making business and creative decisions as a group; and

WHEREAS, the company initially presented The Groundlings Revue, commonly referred to as "The Main Show" only once a year, by 2007 they expanded to four shows a year; and

WHEREAS, The Groundlings School moved to a separate location in 2015, on the corner of Melrose Avenue and Poinsettia, enrolling over 8,500 improv and sketch comedy students per year; and

WHEREAS, The Groundlings have become one of the pre-eminent training grounds for comedy in Los Angeles with hundreds of its members and graduates going on to have a major impact on the entertainment industry around the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council does hereby congratulate the company on its fiftieth Anniversary, recognizing it as one of our city's most treasured performing arts institutions, and declares October 19th The Groundlings Day in the City of Los Angeles.

PRESENTED BY: _____
Katy Yaroslavsky
Councilwoman, 5th District

SECONDED BY: _____

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WHEREAS, Kerry McCorkle is an accomplished professional with over three decades of experience, having served in key roles within the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) and the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Kerry McCorkle's career began with distinguished service in the United States Marine Corps from 1985 to 1989, where he played an instrumental role in training subordinates and fostering professional development; and

WHEREAS, Kerry McCorkle transitioned to the LADWP in 1990, where he advanced from a Customer Services Representative to his current role as an Intergovernmental Relations Representative, demonstrating expertise in customer and public relations; and

WHEREAS, Kerry McCorkle's leadership extended to his role as a Business Representative with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 18, where he represented various professional units, including administrative, technical, and supervisory positions; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure at IBEW Local 18, Kerry McCorkle was instrumental in forming Joint Labor-Management Committees that focused on worker safety initiatives and grievance resolution; and

WHEREAS, in his current position at LADWP, Kerry McCorkle represents the department in relationships with stakeholders such as the Mayor's Office, City Council, customers, and associations, working to address concerns and secure support for key initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Kerry McCorkle plays a pivotal role in intergovernmental outreach efforts and possesses an in-depth understanding of electric and water utility operations, regulatory standards, and public health requirements; and

WHEREAS, Kerry McCorkle is highly regarded by colleagues and stakeholders for his ability to navigate complex challenges and deliver effective solutions that benefit the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Kerry McCorkle has shown an unwavering dedication to public service, and his skills and commitment have made him an invaluable asset to LADWP and the City of Los Angeles;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the adoption of this resolution, that the Los Angeles City Council extends its deepest appreciation and admiration to Kerry McCorkle for his remarkable dedication and invaluable contributions to the City of Los Angeles, and offers its best wishes for a fulfilling and well-deserved retirement.

PRESENTED BY:

Monica Rodriguez

MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY:

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Javier Hinojosa is retiring after an exemplary 36 years of public service with the State of California, serving in the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC); and

WHEREAS, Javier Hinojosa began his journey with DTSC as a Student Assistant and steadily advanced through various roles within the department, demonstrating dedication and commitment throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, Javier Hinojosa developed expert knowledge in the laws, regulations, and chemistry related to the identification, classification, and management of hazardous waste, helping to safeguard public health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Javier Hinojosa assisted in the establishment/benchmark of data analysis for all performance measures and utilized that data to refine and improve performance measures regarding cleanup; and

WHEREAS, Javier Hinojosa is concluding his distinguished career overseeing investigations and cleanups for state-led initiatives, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) corrective actions, and voluntary cleanups across the state of California; and

WHEREAS, Javier Hinojosa has been a tireless advocate for staff development, mentoring and ensuring that team members have access to training and professional growth opportunities within government service; and

WHEREAS, Javier Hinojosa has contributed to the education of state, federal, and local governments, as well as redevelopment agencies, by providing vital training on cleanup programs and best practices; and

WHEREAS, Javier Hinojosa's sense of humor, kindness, energy, and graciousness has enriched those fortunate enough to know and work with him;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the adoption of this resolution, that the Los Angeles City Council extends its heartfelt congratulations and gratitude to Mr. Javier Hinojosa for his outstanding and dedicated service to the residents of Los Angeles and the state of California, and offers its best wishes for a well-deserved, healthy, and fulfilling retirement.

PRESENTED BY:

Monica Rodriguez

MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY:

Katy Yaroslavsky

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RESOLUTION

Sergeant II+3 Jean Salvodon, Serial No. 30299, Badge No. 4031

WHEREAS, Sergeant Jean Salvodon joined the Los Angeles Police Department on September 21, 1992, and has steadily risen through the ranks working a variety of assignments during his 32 years of service; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, after completing his probation in Wilshire Division, Sergeant Salvodon worked Hollenbeck Division for approximately five years which included stints in patrol, CRASH, Juvenile Car, and as area's Reserve Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, Sergeant Salvodon earned the Medal of Valor for an officer involved shooting where he moved his injured partner to safety while exchanging gunfire with the suspects; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, Sergeant Salvodon was promoted to Police Officer III at Management Services Division where he received numerous commendations for working on a variety of projects that paved the way to many positive changes in the Department; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Sergeant Salvodon was promoted to the rank of Sergeant I and transferred to 77th Division as a Patrol Field Supervisor and later, he transferred to Van Nuys Division to work as patrol supervisor for two years; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, Sergeant Salvodon was selected as the OIC of West Valley Vice where he had several notable accomplishments and was awarded the Police Meritorious Unit Citation as a member of Operations Valley Bureau Vice Detail; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Salvodon was also awarded the Community Policing Medal as a member of Operations Valley Bureau and Detective Support and Vice Division Alcohol Beverage Control enforcement operation; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, Sergeant Salvodon transferred to Metropolitan Division as the Captains Adjutant before he obtained his dream job as Sergeant I+3 at Air Support Division in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Salvodon quickly received his pilot wings and remained at Air Support Division throughout the remainder of his career due to his profound passion for aviation and emerged as one of the most flying supervisors at Air Support Division, with an impressive record of over 2,684 flights and 6,100 flight hours; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, Sergeant Salvodon was promoted to the rank of Sergeant II+3, Assistant Watch Commander where his leadership skills, combined with his enthusiasm and productivity, made him an asset to the division; and

WHEREAS, on October 31, 2024, Sergeant Salvodon, Serial Number 31534, ended his exceptional and distinguished career as a loyal City servant with the Los Angeles Police Department.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Los Angeles by adoption of this Resolution congratulates Sergeant II+3 Jean Salvodon for his tenure, 32 years of loyal service, and dedication to the Los Angeles Police Department and commends him for his commitment to duty and professionalism in serving the people of the City of Los Angeles.

PRESENTED BY:

KEVIN DE LEÓN
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:

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RESOLUTION

El Día del Guatemalteco 13B

Whereas, more than one million Guatemalans live in the United States, where the Guatemalan population is the fifth largest Latino group in the country and the second largest Central American group; and

Whereas, half of the Guatemalan population in the US resides in the State of California and thirty percent in the city and county of Los Angeles; and

Whereas, Guatemalans began to immigrate to the United States in the 1930's and with migration increasing in the 1940's, with Guatemalans settling in urban areas including Los Angeles, San Francisco in California and large cities in the United States; and

Whereas, in the 1970's and 1980's, migration to the United States intensified as violence, instability, and insecurity led them to seek refuge and better life for their families; and

Whereas, over time, Guatemalan Americans have contributed greatly to the social, educational, professional, and political life of Los Angeles, while imparting to their families, communities, and future generations the importance of maintaining their Guatemalan and American cultures and promoting well-being; and

Whereas, Guatemalan community based in the United States is positively strengthened day by day with a vision of a promising future full of hope working on projects that dignify their community; and

Whereas, the members of the American Guatemalan Association (AGUA), Zonas Urbanas, Maya Vision, on behalf of Guatemalan American individuals, families and organizations wish to collectively share "El Dia Del Guatemalteco" in the City of Los Angeles with fellow citizens; and

Whereas, the vitality of the Guatemalan community rests on the pillars of hard work, faith and education and their families - ¡Viva El Día del Guatemalteco!

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council recognizes October 20, 2024 as El Día del Guatemalteco in the City of Los Angeles

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council thanks and commends the Guatemalan Community for their contributions to the City of Los Angeles.

PRESENTED BY:

KEVIN DE LEÓN
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:

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