

Resolution

WHEREAS, James Ahn has honorably served as the 36th President of the Korean American Federation of Los Angeles (KAFLA), providing exemplary leadership and dedication to the Korean American community and greater Los Angeles area; and

WHEREAS, under President Ahn’s leadership, KAFLA has been recognized as a Top 100 California Nonprofit in 2024 and a California Nonprofit of the Year in 2022, showcasing his commitment to elevating KAFLA’s impact and mission; and

WHEREAS, since March 2020, James Ahn has led KAFLA’s COVID-19 pandemic recovery efforts, positioning KAFLA as a primary agency in California to support over 70,000 Korean American and neighboring community members, securing over \$50 million in vital economic aid, housing and food security, healthcare, and other essential resources; and

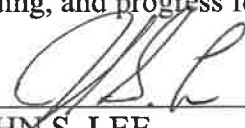
WHEREAS, through James Ahn’s leadership, KAFLA has established meaningful partnerships with federal, state, and local agencies—including the Employment Development Department, Small Business Administration, CDC Foundation, the City and County of Los Angeles, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and United States Citizenship and Immigration Services — greatly expanding the resources available to the community; and

WHEREAS, James Ahn has been a steadfast advocate for the Korean American community, working with local representatives to enact policies promoting language access, equity, public safety, and justice for victims of racially motivated violence; and

WHEREAS, James Ahn’s dedication has been recognized by numerous honors, including the President’s Volunteer Service Award in 2020 and the Neighborhood Council Spirit Award in 2019.

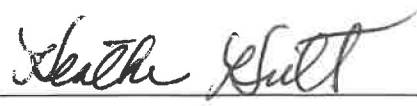
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Los Angeles commends and honors James Ahn for his outstanding service, leadership, and unwavering commitment to the Korean American Federation of Los Angeles and to the broader Los Angeles community. His dedication and tireless efforts have not only enriched the lives of Korean Americans but also strengthened the city as a whole, fostering unity, understanding, and progress for all residents.

PRESENTED BY



JOHN S. LEE
Councilmember, 12th District

SECONDED BY




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WHEREAS, our country was founded on the principles that all people are created equal and have the unalienable right to Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness; and

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution guarantees the Freedom of Speech and Religion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles seeks to foster a resilient community based on collective respect for the differences and commonalities between the diverse residents of our great city; and

WHEREAS, all Angelenos are entitled to the fundamental rights of Human Security, which include: Freedom from Fear, Freedom from Want, Freedom of Expression, and Freedom of Worship; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles defends and safeguards the civil rights of all of its communities and condemns, in no uncertain terms, any form of hate or oppression based on an individual's race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or disability; and


WHEREAS, in the City of Angels, we have a deep, shared compassion for our fellow human beings and believe that all of our neighbors deserve adequate access to medical care, food, clothing, housing, clean water, and a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, Angelenos do not fear differing viewpoints or opinions, but rather revere thoughtful exchanges of ideas, no matter how difficult or challenging, for it is through our consideration and understanding of our neighbors that we expand our knowledge of one another and form a stronger more respectful, resilient, and peaceful society; and

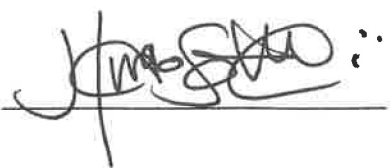
WHEREAS, the people of Los Angeles are unified in celebrating, honoring, and respecting the many cultures and faiths that enrich our community, we affirm the right of all Angelenos to gather in their sacred spaces, free of fear, intimidation, and the threat of violence; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council does hereby confirm that all Angelenos are entitled to Freedom from Fear, Freedom from Want, Freedom of Expression, and Freedom of Worship. We the people of the City of Los Angeles speak out with one clarion voice recognizing that these fundamental rights of Human Security mutually ensure our physical, mental, and spiritual well-being and foster a more culturally dynamic, morally steadfast, and socially cohesive community.

PRESENTED BY:


KATY YAROSLAVSKY
Councilwoman, 5th District

SECONDED BY:




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WHEREAS, William S. "Bill" Bartlett is officially retiring from the United States Postal Service at the age of 78 after 53 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bartlett has been delivering the daily mail to approximately 410 homes west of the Silver Lake Reservoir since April 1980, walking the hilly terrain of Castle, Landa, Micheltorena, and Redcliff Streets, Balmer, Moreno, and West Silver Lake Drives, and Kenilworth, Redesdale and Windsor Avenues, for more than 44 years; and

WHEREAS, a native of Los Angeles, Mr. Bartlett grew up in the neighborhood of Echo Park, and graduated from Belmont High School, attending Los Angeles City College before transferring to UCLA, where he earned a B.S. in Chemistry; and

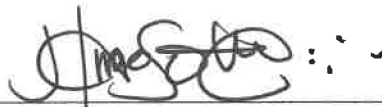
WHEREAS, Mr. Bartlett worked for a time as a chemist at the V.A. hospital in Long Beach, before leaving to work at the U.S Postal Service, discovering that the USPS offered a unionized workforce with strong protections, better wages and job stability; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bartlett's job as a mail carrier afforded him the freedom and resources to travel extensively, learning to ski and scuba dive during his travels. Mr. Bartlett has also competed in chess tournaments, and is an accomplished bass-baritone who at one time performed in operas produced at Casa Italiana in Chinatown; and

WHEREAS, Mr Bartlett lives with his wife Lani and his step-grandson Caleb in Simi Valley. His last day as a USPS employee was November 15, 2024;

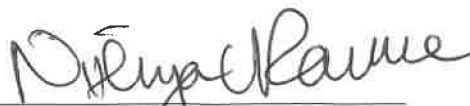
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the Los Angeles City Council recognizes and celebrates William S. "Bill" Bartlett's retirement from the United States Postal Service, after an illustrious 53-year career. Congratulations and thank you for all your amazing work in the community!

PRESENTED BY:



HUGO SOTO-MARTÍNEZ
Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY:



NITHYA RAMANI
Councilmember, 4th District

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CITY OF LOS ANGELES



RESOLUTION

National Nurse Practitioner Week

November 10-16, 2024

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) have served a critical role as trusted health care providers for decades; and

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners work to expand health care access in communities across our state, promote health equity in care and improve health outcomes for all; and

WHEREAS, patients depend on the more than 385,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States to diagnose, manage and treat their chronic and acute health care conditions; and

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty health care services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, partnering with patients to improve their health; and

WHEREAS, the confidence that patients have in NP-delivered health care is evidenced by the more than 1 billion visits made annually to nurse practitioners across the country; and

WHEREAS, more than five decades of research demonstrates the high quality of care provided by nurse practitioners; and

WHEREAS, better utilization of nurse practitioners through modernized state laws and improved policies creates better health through a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher-quality health care system; and

WHEREAS, more than half the nation — including 27 states, the District of Columbia, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands — has adopted Full Practice Authority legislation, offering patients full and direct access to the outstanding care provided by nurse practitioners; and

WHEREAS, leading governmental and policy entities, including the National Academy of Medicine, National Council of State Boards of Nursing, National Governors Association and Federal Trade Commission, have taken notice of the benefits of providing patients full and direct access to NP-delivered care; and

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners serve as the provider of choice for many and play a pivotal role in the health and welfare of our communities:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council does hereby declare November 10-16, 2024 as NATIONAL NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK, in recognition of the countless contributions nurse practitioners have made over the past half century and will continue to make on behalf of the health and well-being of citizens in our state.

Presented by:

Traci Park
TRACI PARK
Councilmember, 11th District

Seconded by:

Amber Pacheco

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WHEREAS, an affordable housing advocate, developer, and administrator for community-centered, affordable housing programs, Douglas Guthrie is a recognized national housing leader and guiding force for increasing housing opportunities for Angelenos; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Guthrie was born and raised in the Midwest, and the nature of his work, years of service, and personal dedication toward uplifting Los Angeles residents reflects well on our fair City and is deserving of recognition; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Guthrie began his professional career in public service working for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, where he specialized in Model Cities, Urban Renewal, and the Community Development Block Grant programs; and

Whereas, Douglas Guthrie served as the President of the National Equity Fund, the nation's largest source of equity financing for low- and moderate-income housing, where he initiated the tax credit funding program for affordable housing, resulting in the development of over 28,000 affordable housing units in 550 projects, with real estate assets valued in excess of \$3 billion and which, to this day, is considered one of the most successful funding tools in the U.S. to advance affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, in January 2010, Douglas Guthrie became the General Manager of the Los Angeles Housing Department overseeing 600 employees and the systematic code enforcement for Los Angeles's rental housing stock comprising over 760,000 housing units and managing the City's primary affordable housing development programs with emphasis on permanent and supportive housing for persons experiencing homelessness, housing preservation, transit-oriented development, and managing rent protections for over 620,000 rental housing units under the rent stabilization program; and

WHEREAS, in December 2011, Douglas Guthrie was asked by former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa to become Interim President & CEO of the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) and he held this role along with remaining the General Manager of the Los Angeles Housing Department until he was formally appointed as President & CEO of HACLA permanently by HACLA's Board of Commission in April 2012; and

WHEREAS, during his thirteen-year tenure as the President & CEO of HACLA, Douglas Guthrie spearheaded the development and adoption of HACLA's 25-Year Vision Plan (Build HOPE) with measurable outcomes to focus the agency on serving Angelenos best through key investments and strategic actions, ensuring HACLA's ranking as one of the highest performing


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housing authorities in the U.S. and serving as a national model in addressing and ending homelessness; and

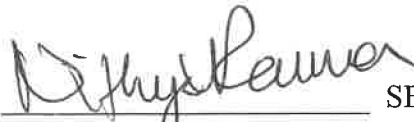
WHEREAS, under the leadership of Douglas Guthrie the Housing Authority for the City of Los Angeles grew its staffing to over 1,000 public employees and increased its resources to serve the housing needs of the City of Los Angeles by 90% to over \$2 billion budget; and

WHEREAS, by the end of his tenure at HACLA, the Agency had successfully expanded the impact of its mission and today provides 212,723 Angelenos with deeply affordable housing through administration of 117,421 Section 8 contracts and the ownership and management of 12,579 units of affordable housing for seniors, people with disabilities, those coming out of homelessness, and large families with children; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Guthrie believes that every Angeleno not only deserves a place to call home, but a community of opportunity and equity, and under his guidance, HACLA advanced significant progress to redevelop four public housing sites and conduct significant rehabilitation on two others, all of which when completed are expected to provide over 5,000 units of affordable housing alongside major investments in infrastructure, services and amenities in the City's most underinvested neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Guthrie took to heart his duty to serve the public and spent every day of his career pushing forward with fervor and conviction our constitutional values of justice and equity of opportunity in a career that has spanned five decades.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution the Los Angeles City Council hereby express their deepest and sincerest gratitude to Douglas Guthrie for his fourteen years of service to the City of Los Angeles and indelible contributions as an exemplary humanitarian and tireless leader in the provision and preservation of deeply affordable housing for all Angelenos, and extend their best wishes in all his future endeavors.

PRESENTED BY: 
NITHYA RAMAN
Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY: 

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