

World Polio Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, World Polio Day is observed annually on October 24 to recognize the global effort to eradicate polio and to raise awareness of the importance of protecting every child from this preventable disease; and

WHEREAS, polio is a highly infectious disease that can cause permanent paralysis and, in some cases, death, that can be prevented through vaccination; and

WHEREAS, the number of polio cases worldwide has declined by more than 99% since 1988 when Rotary International launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which today includes the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF, Gavi, and the Gates Foundation, to immunize the children of the world against polio; and

WHEREAS, despite this remarkable progress, poliovirus continues to circulate in parts of the world, and the threat of international spread remains as long as poliovirus exists anywhere; and

WHEREAS, maintaining high vaccination coverage, strong disease surveillance, and rapid response to poliovirus are essential to protecting communities and achieving a polio-free world; and

WHEREAS, Rotary members have contributed billions of dollars and countless volunteer hours to support polio vaccination, surveillance, education, and eradication activities around the world; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles recognizes that protecting communities from vaccine-preventable diseases requires sustained commitment and collaboration among public health agencies, health care providers, community organizations, families, and partners at the local, state, national, and global levels.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council do hereby proclaim October 24, 2026, World Polio Day in Los Angeles, California, and encourage all Angelenos to learn about polio, stay up to date with recommended vaccinations, and join Rotary International in the global effort to achieve a polio-free world.

PRESENTED BY: _____

JOHN S. LEE

Councilmember, 12th District

SECONDED BY: _____

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in July 1985, Eldred Day enlisted in the United States Navy, honorably serving for four years and attaining the rank of Petty Officer Second Class before receiving an Honorable Discharge in July 1989; and

WHEREAS, on July 11, 1994, Eldred joined the Los Angeles Police Department, beginning a distinguished thirty-two year career marked by professionalism, integrity, leadership, and an unwavering commitment to the people of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Eldred served in numerous assignments, including Harbor, Newton, Metropolitan, Southwest, Pacific, Olympic, Transit Services, Internal Affairs, and Traffic Coordination Divisions, steadily advancing through the ranks and assuming positions of increasing responsibility; and

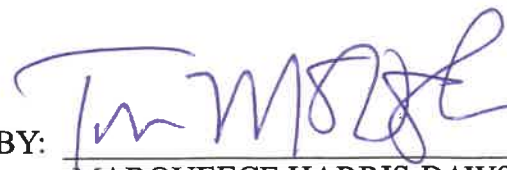
WHEREAS, after being promoted to Police Officer III in 2002, Eldred served as a Field Training Officer and later joined Metropolitan Division, where he served in G and C Platoons, the Mounted Unit, and as Driver and Security Aide to former Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa; and

WHEREAS, following his promotion to Sergeant, Eldred served as a Southwest Area field supervisor, Assistant Watch Commander with the Real-Time Analysis & Critical Response Division, Gang Enforcement Detail supervisor, Internal Affairs Investigator, Associate Advocate with the Professional Standards Bureau, and Sergeant II Squad Leader with Metropolitan Division B Platoon; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, Eldred was promoted to Lieutenant I, serving as a Watch Commander in Olympic Area and Transit Services Division, and in 2023 was promoted to Lieutenant II and selected as Officer in Charge of Traffic Group, now the Traffic Coordination Division, overseeing complex collision investigations, critical incident responses, and citywide traffic operations; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished career, Eldred received 104 commendations, including recognition from the Chief of Police, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, the Los Angeles City Council, and members of the community, reflecting his devotion to duty, integrity, leadership, and exemplary public service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the Los Angeles City Council congratulates Lieutenant II Eldred Day on his retirement after thirty-two years of outstanding and steadfast service to the people of Los Angeles, and extends its best wishes for a well-deserved retirement.

PRESENTED BY: 

MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAWSON
Council President, 8th District

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