

P R O C L A M A T I O N

- WHEREAS,** the history and culture of our great Nation have been significantly influenced by American Indians and the indigenous peoples of North America; and
- WHEREAS,** against the odds, the First Americans have endured, and their accomplishments, contributions, and sacrifices have enhanced the freedom, prosperity, and greatness of America today; and
- WHEREAS,** their customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States; and
- WHEREAS,** Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was expanded by Congress and approved by President George Bush in August 1990, designating the month of November as National American Indian Heritage Month; and
- WHEREAS,** in honor of National American Indian Heritage Month, community celebrations as well as numerous cultural, artistic, educational, and historical activities have been planned.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2011 as

NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH

in the City of Torrance, and call upon the people of Torrance to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Signed this 8th day of November 2011.

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

Sue Herbers, CMC
City Clerk