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# PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the Torrance Education Foundation was founded 20 years ago to provide necessary and otherwise unavailable funding for valuable student programs in the Torrance Unified School District (TUSD); and
- WHEREAS,** the Torrance Education Foundation was founded by parents, teachers, school administrators, members of the Torrance business sector and other community leaders to address the decline in state funding for the Torrance Unified School District; and
- WHEREAS,** the Torrance Education Foundation is viewed as the direct link between the Greater Torrance community and our children's educational excellence, so much so that an investment in the Torrance Education Foundation can only be considered an investment in the future of our community; and
- WHEREAS,** since its inception, the Torrance Education Foundation has raised almost \$4 million for TUSD programs including student scholarships, teacher grants, an annual middle school leadership conference, freshman orientation programs, science classroom equipment, and academic decathlons; and
- WHEREAS,** the Torrance Education Foundation is committed to raising money for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) that will benefit all grade levels in the Torrance Unified School District; and
- WHEREAS,** the Torrance Education Foundation relies on the support of hundreds of Torrance parents, educators, businesses and community members; and
- WHEREAS,** graduating TUSD students annually receive scholarships of more than \$60,000 each year that the Torrance Education Foundation administers; and
- WHEREAS,** the Torrance Education Foundation summer school program completed its fourth year wherein 2,000 Torrance children experienced innovative and exciting educational programs that they otherwise would not have benefitted from; and
- WHEREAS,** the Torrance Education Foundation culminates its annual fundraising campaign with a "Celebrate Education" dinner each Spring, where scholarship winners, community leaders, educators and business members gather to raise money and celebrate the partnership in education of Torrance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2012 as**

## ***TORRANCE EDUCATION FOUNDATION MONTH***

in the City of Torrance, and encourage all citizens and businesses to join the Torrance Education Foundation for the betterment of our students. All schools in the Torrance Unified School District benefit from contributions to the Torrance Education Foundation.

Signed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November 2012

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Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

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Sue Herbers, CMC  
City Clerk