PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2007, in Sydney, Australia, more than 2 million businesses and households turned off their lights for one hour—Earth Hour—sending a powerful message that it is possible to take action on global warming; and

WHEREAS, Lights Out San Francisco held a City-wide lights out event in San Francisco on October 20, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Lights Out America was launched as a result of the outpouring of interest shown in the San Francisco event in order to harness the enthusiasm and keep the momentum going; and

WHEREAS, This year, Lights Out America is partnering with Earth Hour and at 8:00 p.m. on March 29, 2008, Earth Hour will go global, with cities and towns around the world uniting to help turn the tide on global warming; and

WHEREAS, Earth Hour is an opportunity for families and friends to get together, enjoy the stars and talk about things that can be done in our everyday lives to help save energy, knowing that they are joining people from around the world in this effort; and

WHEREAS, as a "Cool City," Torrance is committed to finding ways to help save energy and reduce our carbon footprint, helping to leave our children a world that is better than we found it; and

WHEREAS, Every single light makes a statement and makes a difference.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2008, from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. as

LIGHTS OUT AMERICA, EARTH HOUR

in the City of Torrance, and urge all citizens and businesses to join in turning out all nonessential lights between 8:00 and 9:00 p.m. to remind us all of the difference we can make in our world by taking small steps to save energy.

Signed this 25th day of March, 2008.

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Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

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Sue Herbers
City Clerk

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