

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the Torrance Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will celebrate its 40th anniversary on September 13, 2008; and
- WHEREAS,** chartered in June of 1968, American Association of University Women is an organization that promotes and conducts educational activities designed to provide community outreach services to women and girls at every level of development; and
- WHEREAS,** members of AAUW assist school age children, high school dropouts, teenage parents and adults who have not completed their education and need those basic skills necessary to function effectively in society; and
- WHEREAS,** American Association of University Women have initiated numerous projects that address its mission including an Anti-Shopping campaign; the "Let's Be Friends" program, addressing differences and disabilities using puppets and hands-on equipment; "Women in the History of Torrance" (1912-1995) with the Torrance Historical Society; "Power and Promise", a noontime speaker/discussion program for 6th grade girls addressing relevant cultural, social, and emotional issues affecting their lives 1997 to Present; and "Tech Trek", which sends girls entering eighth grade to a one week California AAUW Math/Science camp on a University campus; and
- WHEREAS,** AAUW sponsored a forum of representatives from SCROC, El Camino Community College, California State University Dominguez Hills and USC titled "Technology is a Girl's Best Friend"; and
- WHEREAS,** AAUW is a co-sponsor with the League of Women Voters and Torrance Council of PTA's state and local candidates' forums.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, commend and express sincere appreciation to the

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN TORRANCE BRANCH

for 40 years of dedicated service to the community promoting equity and lifelong education and positive societal change for all women and girls.

Signed this 9th day of September 2008.

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

Sue Herbers, City Clerk