

Council Meeting of
April 7, 2009

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

**SUBJECT: City Manager – Approve a request to subsidize the costs for the use of the James Armstrong Theater lobby
Expenditure: Not to exceed \$200.00**

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council subsidize rental fees at the James Armstrong Theater lobby for Senator Jenny Oropeza's memorial scheduled for Saturday, May 23rd, 2009 to honor the men and women who have lost their lives this past year while serving in the military.

FUNDING

Funding will be taken from the City Council's Municipal Legislative Policy Program Budget.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Since 2002 Senator Jenny Oropeza has organized an event to honor the men and women of the 28th Senate District who have lost their lives in the past year while serving in the military and defending our country. In the past the tribute has included patriotic music, a reading of the biography of each serviceman who lost his life, a presentation to the family of a California flag that flew over our state Capitol and the chance for a family member to say a few words if they would like. There are a total of seven soldiers (two who are from the City of Torrance) who will be recognized and remembered. This year, Senator Oropeza will also give the family letters written by local school children thanking them for the service and sacrifice of their children.

The date on which Senator Oropeza will be using the City's facilities is Saturday, May 23, 2009. The total not to exceed amount of \$200.00 includes \$95.00 for the facility and \$83.00 to cover costs of House Manager.

ANALYSIS

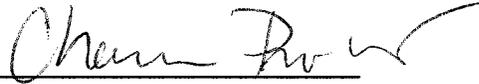
The lobby has been reserved for Saturday, May 23rd, 2009.

The memorial is approximately 90 minutes long and is scheduled to be held from 11am and 12:30 pm.

Based on the City's history of supporting and honoring soldiers who have lost their lives while at war, the City Manager recommends that the City Council subsidize the rental fees for the use of the James Armstrong Theater lobby on the specified date of this event.

Respectfully submitted,

LeROY J. JACKSON
CITY MANAGER

By 
Charissa Probst
Management Aide

CONCUR:


for LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager

California State Senate

SENATOR JENNY OROPEZA
 TWENTY-EIGHTH SENATE DISTRICT

CHAIR, SENATE COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION



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March 13, 2009

The Honorable Frank Scotto
 City of Torrance
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 Torrance, CA 90503

Dear Mayor Scotto:

Since 2002 I have organized an event to honor the men and women who have lost their lives in the past year while serving in the military and defending the freedoms our country enjoys. On Saturday, May 23, 2009 I will host the 2009 Memorial Day tribute for our service members in the South Bay who have paid the ultimate price.

It would mean a great deal to me and the families of our fallen service members to have the city of Torrance as a co-sponsor for this event and you as a participant in the program. The tribute will take place in the lobby of the James Armstrong Theatre. The program, which includes presentations to the families of our lost service members, will begin at 11 A.M. and conclude at 12:30 P.M.

I hope to work with the city of Torrance and your office to honor and remember those members of the service from the 28th Senate District who are no longer with us. My Chief of Staff, Sharon Weissman, will call you soon to see if you are available to join us on the 23rd.

Sincerely,

JENNY OROPEZA
 Senator, 28th District

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