PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the foundation of a thriving city government includes the willingness of its citizens to work together to enhance public services and provide an avenue for better communication between community leaders and the citizenry; and

WHEREAS, volunteer community service encourages mutual respect and interaction between our diverse community base; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Volunteers: Hearts that Serve; Hands that Care," applauds the 2,000 City of Torrance volunteers who donated over 65,000 hours in the year 2008, and contributed to the quality of service delivered to the Torrance community; and

WHEREAS, volunteers enable the City to expand the available opportunities for its citizens in recreational, cultural, and social programs; and

WHEREAS, volunteers permit the City to increase the efficiency of its internal operations along with enhancing the individual skills of those who volunteer; and

WHEREAS, it is a privilege to honor those individuals who have given their time, talents, and enthusiasm to make our community a more enjoyable and flourishing environment to live and work.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby proclaim the week of April 19 through April 25, 2009 as

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

in the City of Torrance, and urge all the citizens of Torrance to observe this week by recognizing the individuals who have enriched our community through their volunteer service.

Signed this 21st day of April 2009.

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Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

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Sue Herbers, City Clerk