

FOR COUNCIL MEETING

July 21, 2009

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

Members of the Council:

**SUBJECT: Community Services – City Council appointments to the 2009-2010 City of Torrance Youth Council**

**Expenditure: None**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council appoint 18 members to the 2009-2010 City of Torrance Youth Council and have them officially sworn in by the City Clerk.

### **BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

The City of Torrance Youth Council is comprised of High School students in Torrance, who advise and make recommendations to City Council and City staff on matters of concern to youth. Youth Council members are appointed by City Council for one-year terms.

On April 15, 2008, City Council approved several recommendations from the Youth Council, repealing Youth Council operational Resolution 2004-89 and adopting Resolution 2008-52. This was done to revise several inefficient Youth Council operational procedures.

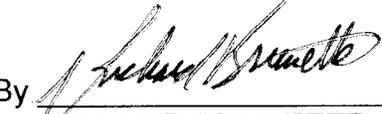
One of the revised recruitment procedures called for the recruitment of applicants to begin in Spring, with appointments made in Summer. This was so Youth Council members would begin their terms at the beginning of the school year and have more time serving on the Council and to accomplish goals and objectives.

On June 17 and 18, 2009, the Youth Council Selection Committee, comprised of one member of the Parks and Recreation Commission, one member of the Cultural Arts Commission, and three Youth Council members conducted interviews of 43 Youth Council applicants. After reviewing the applications and concluding the interviews, the Selection Committee decided on 18 applicants (Attachment A) as being the most qualified to serve as Youth Council members and to recommend these applicants to City Council for appointment.

If approved by City Council, these applicants will be officially sworn in by the City Clerk. Meetings will commence in August on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the West Annex Commission Room of the Torrance Civic Center.

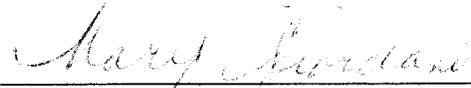
Respectfully submitted,

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Community Services Director

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Community Services Director

  
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City Manager

Attachments: A. Recommended 2009-10 Youth Council members