

PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS, each subsequent year, Earth Hour has grown. In 2009, more than 4,000 cities in 87 countries went dark for one hour, including an estimated 80 million Americans in 318 cities and 8 states; and

WHEREAS, this year, Earth Hour will be marked by turning out lights between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m. on March 27, in a symbolic gesture reminding us of the need for action on climate change; 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 we 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 better world; 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 27, 2010 from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m.

EARTH HOUR

in the City of Torrance, and urge all citizens and businesses to join in turning out all non-essential lights between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m., to remind us of the difference we can make in our world by taking small steps to save energy.

Signed this 16th day of March 2010.

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

