PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Victim Support Program's mission is to ensure that support services are accessible to all crime victims in the City of Torrance and to increase their involvement in the Criminal Justice System; and

WHEREAS, the City of Torrance Victim Support Program is designed to assist and educate the local community about the mission of the Victim Support Program in an effort to build a productive and supportive community relationship; and

WHEREAS, the City of Torrance Victim Support Program provides victims with a variety of services offered to the victim on a case by case basis. The Program also educates and encourages victims to participate in the Criminal Justice System; and

WHEREAS, the City of Torrance Victim Support Program provided crisis intervention, counseling services, court assistance, crime prevention information, case status, resource and referrals for 339 victims in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City of Torrance Victim Support Program is focused on providing a range of services in a timely manner to victims in the City of Torrance, and offering helpful and compassionate support to help them through the emotional and difficult situations and assist them on their way to recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby proclaim the week of April 18-24, 2010 as

NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

in the City of Torrance, and encourage the citizens of our community to support the efforts of the Victim Support Program staff and the important role they play in keeping our community safe.

Signed this 13th day of April 2010.

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Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

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Sue Herbers
City Clerk

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