

August 16, 2011

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

Members of the Council:

**SUBJECT: Community Services – Appoint Torrance Youth Council members for 2011-2012.**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council appoint 18 members to the 2011-12 City of Torrance Youth Council and have them officially sworn in by the City Clerk.

### **BACKGROUND**

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

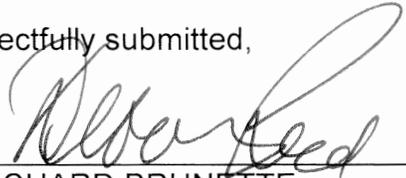
### **ANALYSIS**

On June 16 and 17, 2011, the Youth Council Selection Committee comprised of one member from each of the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Commission on Aging, the Library Commission and three Youth Council members, conducted interviews of 46 Youth Council applicants.

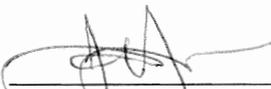
After reviewing the applications and concluding the interviews, the Selection Committee decided on 18 applicants (Attachment A) who were they felt the most qualified to serve as Youth Council members. The Committee recommends these 18 applicants to City Council for appointment to the Youth Council for a one-year term of 2011-12.

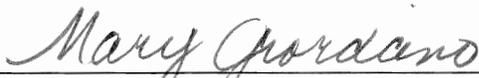
If approved by City Council, these applicants will be officially sworn in by the City Clerk. Meetings will commence in August and be held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the West Annex Commission Room of the Torrance Civic Center.

Respectfully submitted,

By   
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CONCUR:

  
JOHN JONES  
Community Services Director

  
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City Manager  
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Attachments: A) Recommended 2011-12 Torrance Youth Council members

**Recommended Appointees to the  
2011-12 City of Torrance Youth Council**

| <b>NAME</b>              | <b>YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERS or MEMBERS AT LARGE and SCHOOL ATTENDING (2010-11)</b> | <b>GRADE</b> | <b>NEW or RETURNING YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBER</b> |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 1. Tiffany Tran          | North High School                                                               | 11           | Returning                                    |
| 2. Gloria Kang           | North High School                                                               | 12           | New                                          |
| 3. Anthony Xian          | West High School                                                                | 12           | Returning                                    |
| 4. Candace Wu            | West High School                                                                | 12           | Returning                                    |
| 5. Joo Hee Pak           | Torrance High School                                                            | 11           | New                                          |
| 6. Samuel Lee            | Torrance High School                                                            | 12           | New                                          |
| 7. Matthew Yu            | South High School                                                               | 12           | Returning                                    |
| 8. Frank Masi            | South High School                                                               | 12           | Returning                                    |
| 9. Serena Tsay           | CA Academy of Math & Science                                                    | 11           | Returning                                    |
| 10. Diana Im             | CA Academy of Math & Science                                                    | 11           | Returning                                    |
| 11. Christine Plascencia | Bishop Montgomery High School                                                   | 12           | New                                          |
| 12. Ryan Hirano          | Member at Large (North High School))                                            | 12           | New                                          |
| 13. Grant Torre          | Member at Large (West High School)                                              | 11           | New                                          |
| 14. Anna Spallino        | Member at Large (South High School)                                             | 10           | New                                          |
| 15. Nicole Ludena        | Member at Large (South High School)                                             | 12           | New                                          |
| 16. Sean Lee             | Member at Large (Torrance High School)                                          | 12           | New                                          |
| 17. Shiloh Schatzkamer   | Member at Large (South High School)                                             | 11           | New                                          |
| 18. Minji Kim            | Member at Large (CAMS High School)                                              | 11           | Returning                                    |

