

City of Manhattan Beach, California

Proclamation

PEACE CORPS WEEK FEBRUARY 23 THROUGH MARCH 2, 2009

WHEREAS, the Peace Corps has become an enduring symbol of our nation's commitment to encourage progress, create opportunity, and expand development at the grass-roots level in the developing world; and

WHEREAS, more than 195,000 Americans have served as Peace Corps Volunteers in 139 countries since 1961; and

WHEREAS, over the past 48 years, 26,249 men and women from the state of California have responded to our nation's call to serve by joining the Peace Corps; and

WHEREAS, Peace Corps Volunteers have made significant and lasting contributions around the world in agriculture, business development, information technology, education, health and HIV/AIDS, and the environment, and have improved the lives of individuals and communities around the world; and

WHEREAS, Peace Corps Volunteers have strengthened the ties of friendship and understanding between the people of the United States and those of other countries; and

WHEREAS, Peace Corps Volunteers, enriched by their experiences overseas, have brought their communities throughout the United States a deeper understanding of other cultures and traditions, thereby bringing a domestic dividend to our nation; and

WHEREAS, it is indeed fitting to recognize the achievements of the Peace Corps and honor its Volunteers, past and present, and reaffirm our country's commitment to helping people help themselves throughout the world.

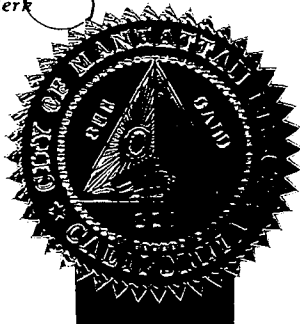
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Richard Montgomery, Mayor of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, on behalf of the City Council and the residents, do hereby proclaim the week of February 23 through March 2, 2009, as

PEACE CORPS WEEK

in the city of Manhattan Beach.

DATED: this 17th day of February, 2009.

City Clerk



Richard Montgomery
Mayor