

City of Manhattan Beach, California

Proclamation

PEACE CORPS WEEK

MARCH 1 THROUGH MARCH 7, 2010

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, *nearly 200,000 Americans have served as Peace Corps Volunteers in 139 countries since 1961; and*

WHEREAS, *over the past 49 years, 26,743 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.*

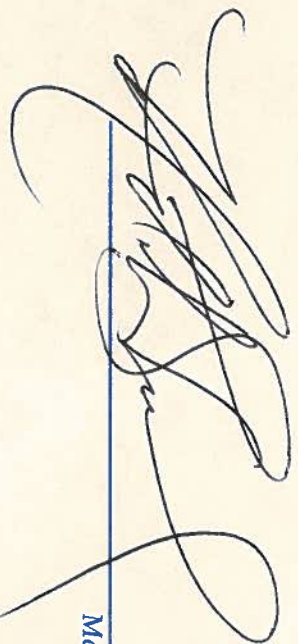
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mitch Ward, Mayor of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, on behalf of the City Council and the residents, do hereby proclaim the week of March 1 through March 7, 2010, as

PEACE CORPS WEEK

in the city of Manhattan Beach.

DATED: this 2nd day of March, 2010.

City Clerk



Mayor