







**CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION**

WHEREAS, Erika Noguchi, the daughter of Dr. Brian and Margaret Noguchi, was born July 14, 1993 in Torrance, California. She attended Mira Costa High School in Manhattan Beach where she graduated from in June 2011; and

WHEREAS, Erika has shown that she understands and represents what it means to be a Gold Award Girl Scout. She earned the Gold Award by meeting the Girl Scout national standards and achievement of this national award reflects the dedication, time, leadership, creativity and effort that she has contributed to making her community better; and

WHEREAS, Erika began her scouting career as a Junior in 2002 when she joined Girl Scout Troop 6505; transitioned to Cadets; and then to her present level as a Senior Girl Scout; and

WHEREAS, Erika enjoyed the many activities offered by Troop 6505, particularly the yearly camping trips to Ojai, the San Bernardino Mountains, Camp Osito Rancho, and Leo Carrillo State Park. In addition to outdoor activities, Erika participated in various community events including leadership and camping workshops, working with younger Girl Scouts troops and engaging them by playing games or showing them camping tips. At the Manhattan Beach Bridging Ceremony, Erika earned her Gold Award by completing the Mira Costa Music Library Rejuvenation Project. She sorted through over 1,300 pieces of music and organized them in an orderly, computerized, system; and

WHEREAS, In addition to scouting activities, Erika has demonstrated an interest and love for music and the arts. She has been a member of the Kelly School of Traditional Irish Dance for 12 years. She danced competitively both solo and in teams, 4 of which she was Team Captain. Erika has played oboe for 8 years and at Mira Costa, she was a member of both the Wind Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra for 4 years; and

WHEREAS, Erika is currently attending New York University. She has been accepted into the music business program, which is her current major. She absolutely loves the city and everything it has to offer and is currently having the time of her life; and

WHEREAS, Erika is an exceptional example of the leader of tomorrow.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, on behalf of the residents and citizens of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, does hereby congratulate

**Erika Noguchi**

on being honored for attaining the Gold Award in Girl Scouting and for her many achievements.

DATED this 30 day of June, 2012.

*Wayne Powell*  
MAYOR