



SOUTH GATE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

AMENDED

**SOUTH GATE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
8650 CALIFORNIA AVE
SOUTH GATE, CA 90280**

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City Officials

MAYOR, Gil Hurtado	CITY CLERK, Yodit Glaze
VICE MAYOR, Maria Davila	CITY TREASURER, Jose De La Paz
COUNCIL MEMBER, Maria del Pilar Avalos	CITY MANAGER, Rob Houston
COUNCIL MEMBER, Joshua Barron	CITY ATTORNEY, Raul F. Salinas
COUNCIL MEMBER, Al Rios	

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2. PARTICIPATE BEFORE THE MEETING by emailing the City Clerk at:
yglaze@sogate.org no later than 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please write "Public Comment" in the subject line.

3. ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON

*The disruption in service of any alternative method does not preclude the City Council or other legislative body from taking further action and moving forward on the agenda.

Meeting Schedule

The regular meetings of the City Council are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, closed session business will usually commence at 5:30 p.m., when scheduled, and general business session will commence at 6:30 p.m.

Brown Act

Agendas are drafted to accurately state what the legislative body is being asked to consider. The legislative body can take action on "all items" listed on the agenda and be in compliance with the open meeting laws. Under the Brown Act, no action may be taken on a matter unless it is listed on the agenda, or unless certain emergency or special circumstances exist. The governing body may direct staff to investigate and/or schedule certain matters for consideration at a future meeting.

City's Vision Statement

We envision a thriving, safe and inclusive community where everyone has the opportunity to access exceptional services, education and support to be resilient and live full, vibrant lives.

Public Communications

Public Comments on agenda items are limited to three (3) minutes. All comments are to be addressed directly to the Agency Members not to the members of the public.

Call to Order/Roll Call

CALL TO ORDER: Gil Hurtado, Mayor

ROLL CALL: Yodit Glaze, City Clerk

Meeting Compensation Disclosure

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54952.3: Disclosure of compensation for meeting attendance by City Council Members is \$790 monthly regardless of the amount of meetings.

Open Session Agenda

1. Proclamation declaring May 19-25, 2024, as National Public Works Week

The City Council will issue a Proclamation declaring the week of May 19 - 25, 2024, as National Public Works Week. (PW)

Documents:

[Item 1 Report 05142024.pdf](#)

2. Proclamation declaring the month of May as Wellness and Mental Health Awareness Month

The City Council will issue a Proclamation declaring May 2024, as Wellness and Mental Health Awareness Month. (CM)

Documents:

[Item 2 Report 05142024.pdf](#)

3. Proclamation declaring the month of May as Water Safety and Drowning Prevention Month

The City Council will issue a Proclamation declaring May 2024, as Water Safety and Drowning Prevention Month. (PARKS)

Documents:

[Item 3 Report 05142024.pdf](#)

4. Presentation by the Long Beach Conservation Corp (PowerPoint Presentation)

The City Council will consider receiving and filing an update on the past and upcoming activities from the Conservation Corp of Long Beach. (PARKS)

Documents:

[Item 4 Report 05142024.pdf](#)

5. Proclamation celebrating May 27, 2023 as Memorial Day

The City Council will issue a Proclamation declaring May 27, 2024, as Memorial Day. (PARKS)

Documents:

[Item 5 Report 05242024.pdf](#)

Closed Session: (ATTY)

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), 54954.9(b)(3)(C)

- a. Maria Heredia v. City of South Gate
- b. Alejandrina Ubiarco Gonzalez v. City of South Gate, et al.

Documents:

[Closed Session Memorandum 05142024.pdf](#)

2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Representation: Rob Houston, City Manager

Unrepresented Employees: Top Management/Department Directors
Hourly Employees

Employee Organizations: SGMEA, SGPMMA, SGDMA, SGPMA, SGPOA

Special Meeting Adjournment

I, Yodit Glaze, City Clerk, certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Meeting Agenda was posted on May 9, 2024, at 8:20 a.m., as required by law.

Yodit Glaze
City Clerk

GENERAL NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City Council adopted new rules relating to the conduct of the public meetings, proceedings, and business in the City of South Gate on July 12, 2022, (Resolution 2022-38-CC) and go into effect on August 1, 2022. Resolution #2022-38-CC is available at the City Clerk's Office.

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The Public can sign up to receive automatic notices of postings of agendas for the City Council or any other Commission or Board of the City of South Gate. Visit the City webpage and click on the Agenda & Minutes icon. That will take you the page where an individual can enter their email in the "Email Updates" box to register.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PARTICIPATION

Any person may request to address a legislative body during a public meeting. The Presiding Officer will call upon those present in the Council Chambers first. After all speakers in the Chambers have spoken, the Presiding Officer will call upon those participating via zoom or teleconference.

Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes on any item listed on the agenda, including public hearings. Under Comments from the Audience portion, speakers are also limited to a single three (3) minutes time limit. Comments from the Audience is initially limited to 45 minutes at each meeting. Any speaker still wishing to speak, that did not speak, will have an addition Comments from the Audience opportunity after the last business item is finished. The Presiding Officer may extend the time limit as long as there is no objection from the City Council as a body.

To ensure that the public is able to participate, the City provides the opportunity to submit their comments in person, virtually, email, phone call, mail and any other method which may become available. Methods of participation may be subject to change during other such times when a State of Emergency, Health Order or State Executive Order limits in-person participation.

CURFEW

In absence of a motion duly adopted by majority vote of the City Council, the Presiding Officer may adjourn the City Council meetings at 10:30 p.m. The Presiding Officer may ask the City Council if any agenda items listed should be continued or dealt with during the meeting. For those items to be continued, the City Council can direct the item be placed on the next City Council agenda or the current

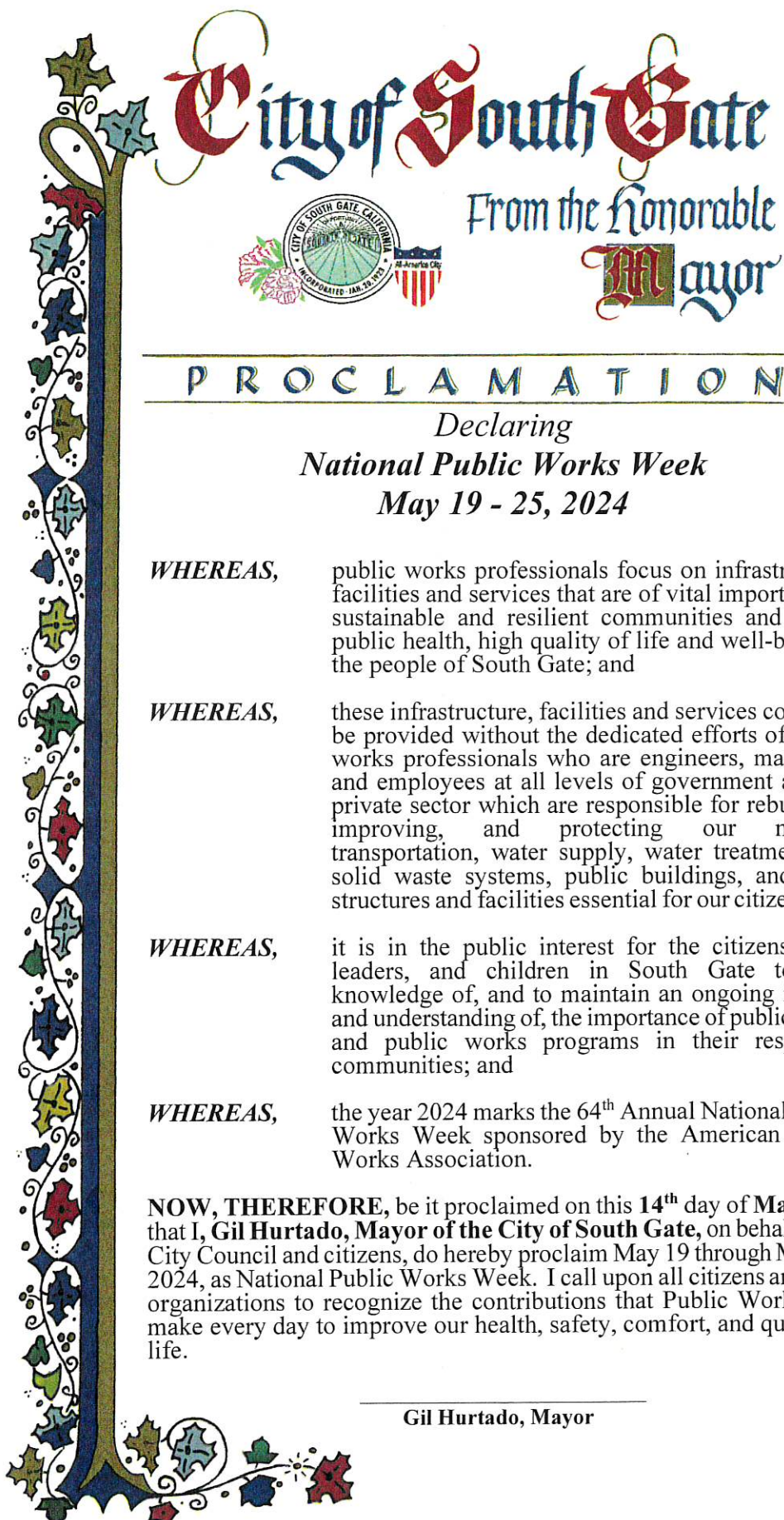
meeting may be adjourned to a time certain at which time the meeting shall be reconvened as an Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council and action upon the published agenda continued.

STAFF REPORTS

As a general rule, staff reports, or other written documentation are prepared/organized with respect to each item of business listed on the agenda. Meeting agendas and staff reports are available at least 72-hours prior to the scheduled regular City Council meeting and a minimum of 24-hours prior to a Special City Council meeting. There are times when the City Council receives written material, revised material after the posting of agendas, these materials are become a public record and will be available for public view within 72-hours after the meeting in which they were received. Those materials and any other public document can be inspected in the City Clerk's Office located at 8650 California Avenue, South Gate.

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City of South Gate

From the Honorable

Mayor

PROCLAMATION

*Declaring
National Public Works Week
May 19 - 25, 2024*

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the public health, high quality of life and well-being of the people of South Gate; and

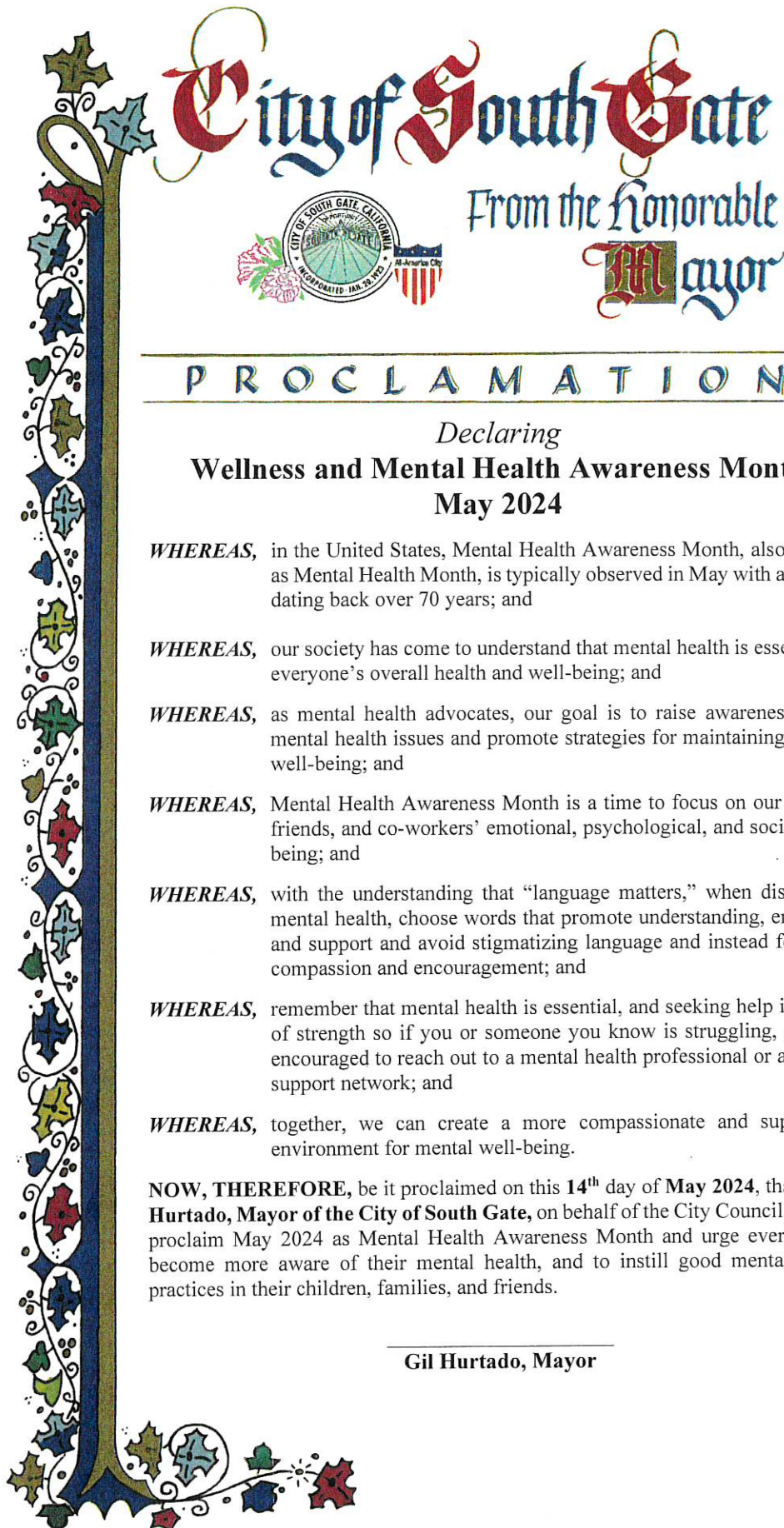
WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals who are engineers, managers, and employees at all levels of government and the private sector which are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in South Gate to gain knowledge of, and to maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of, the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the year 2024 marks the 64th Annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed on this 14th day of May 2024 that I, **Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate**, on behalf of the City Council and citizens, do hereby proclaim May 19 through May 25, 2024, as National Public Works Week. I call upon all citizens and civic organizations to recognize the contributions that Public Works staff make every day to improve our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

Gil Hurtado, Mayor



City of South Gate



From the Honorable
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PROCLAMATION

Declaring **Wellness and Mental Health Awareness Month** **May 2024**

WHEREAS, in the United States, Mental Health Awareness Month, also known as Mental Health Month, is typically observed in May with a history dating back over 70 years; and

WHEREAS, our society has come to understand that mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, as mental health advocates, our goal is to raise awareness about mental health issues and promote strategies for maintaining mental well-being; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health Awareness Month is a time to focus on our family, friends, and co-workers' emotional, psychological, and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, with the understanding that "language matters," when discussing mental health, choose words that promote understanding, empathy, and support and avoid stigmatizing language and instead focus on compassion and encouragement; and

WHEREAS, remember that mental health is essential, and seeking help is a sign of strength so if you or someone you know is struggling, you are encouraged to reach out to a mental health professional or a trusted support network; and

WHEREAS, together, we can create a more compassionate and supportive environment for mental well-being.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed on this 14th day of May 2024, that **I, Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate,** on behalf of the City Council, hereby proclaim May 2024 as Mental Health Awareness Month and urge everyone to become more aware of their mental health, and to instill good mental health practices in their children, families, and friends.

Gil Hurtado, Mayor



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PROCLAMATION

Declaring **Water Safety and Drowning Prevention Month** **May 2024**

WHEREAS, Water Safety and Drowning Prevention Month was established through a collaborative effort across the country to promote water safety and drowning prevention; and

WHEREAS, each year, drowning incidents impact hundreds of families resulting in treatment in emergency departments, including hospital stays and potential life-altering and permanent disabilities of residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Public Health reports 3,693 deaths due to drowning from 2016 to 2022 among Californians, 2,931 hospitalizations, and 9,734 emergency room visits for non-fatal drowning; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Gate acknowledges the public significance of the California Water Safety Strategy which highlights knowledge gaps, major priorities, and action areas where focus is required to reduce the burden of drowning across the state; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Gate has its own considerations and context for drowning prevention including Learn-to-Swim programs for all ages, water safety awareness events, water safety educational campaigns, and emergency preparation training such as CPR and lifeguarding classes; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Gate, and the community at large, acknowledge that drowning is a complex issue and that progress in reducing the burden and occurrence of fatal and non-fatal drowning requires collaboration between different sectors and stakeholders with diverse perspectives and approaches.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed on this 14th day of May 2024, that **I, Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate,** on behalf of the City Council, hereby proclaim May 2024 as Water Safety and Drowning Prevention Month and commend the South Gate Aquatics staff for their professionalism, commitment and efforts in preventing drowning and keeping members of our community safe as they enjoy our amazing Patricia G. Mitchell Swim Stadium and further remind everyone to be safer in and around the water this summer and all year long.

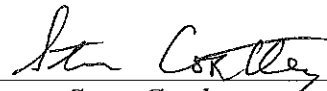
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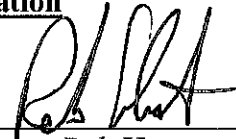
AGENDA BILL

For the Special Meeting of: May 14, 2024
Originating Department: Parks and Recreation

Department Head:


Steve Costley

City Manager:


Rob Houston

SUBJECT: LONG BEACH CONSERVATION CORP UPDATE REPORT

PURPOSE: To provide the City Council and community with an update on current and past activities between the Conservation Corp of Long Beach ("CCLB") and the City of South Gate.

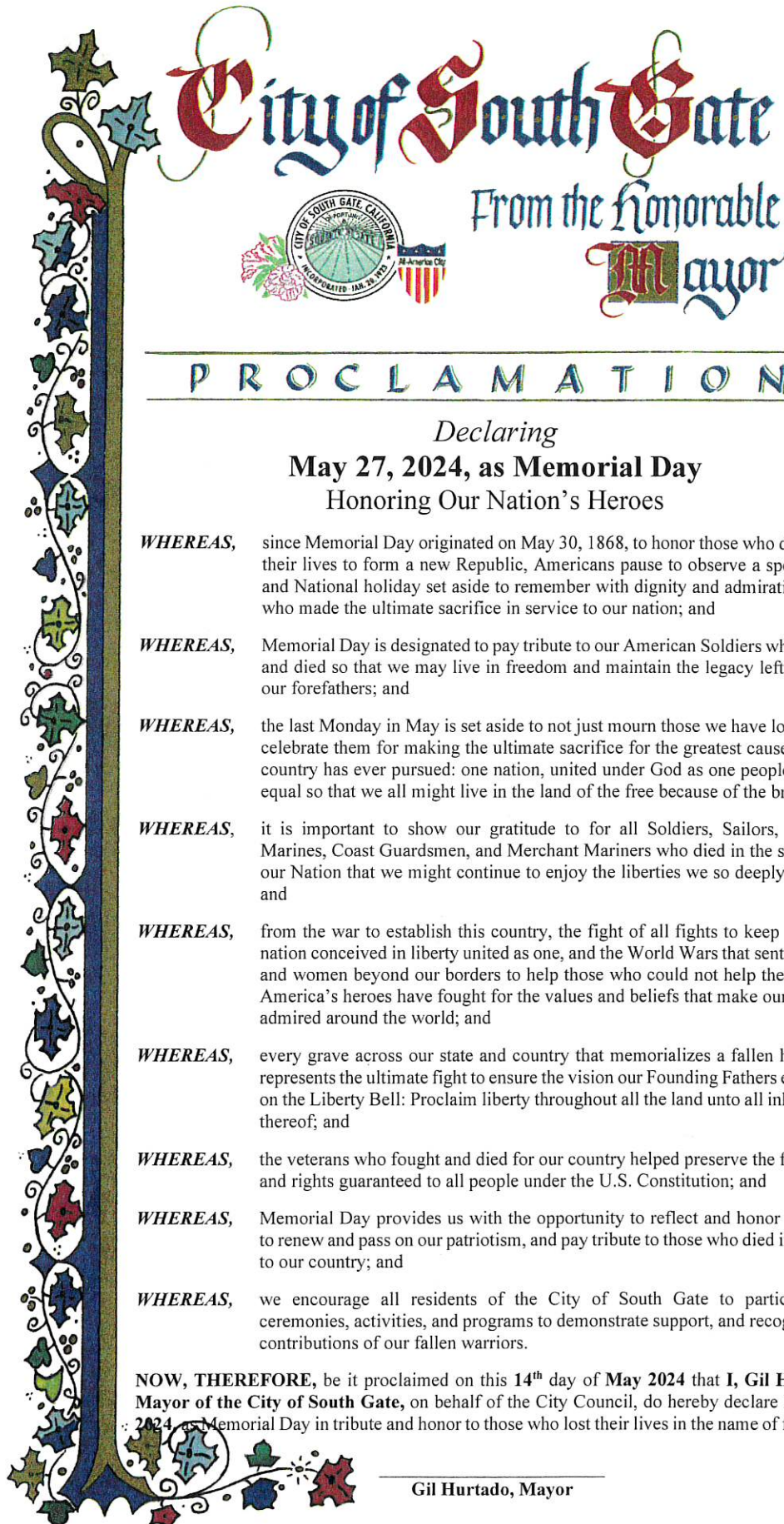
RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: The City Council will consider receiving and filing an update on the past and upcoming activities from the Conservation Corp of Long Beach.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

UPDATE: The Conservation Corps of Long Beach has forged an extremely strong partnership with the City of South Gate. The mutually beneficial relationship provides meaningful job training experience to the young adults in South Gate while also improving and enhancing community resources. From educational activities to community and conservation projects, CCLB has, and continues, to provide well rounded training, educational, and career services to the young people of South Gate. Since the inception of our partnership, many program participants have transitioned into full-time permanent employment with the City of South Gate and other public and private partners.

The Director of the CCLB, Dan Knapp, will provide an overview of past and present programs that CCLB and the City of South Gate have participated in together.

ATTACHMENT: None



City of South Gate



From the Honorable
Mayor

PROCLAMATION

Declaring

May 27, 2024, as Memorial Day
Honoring Our Nation's Heroes

- WHEREAS,** since Memorial Day originated on May 30, 1868, to honor those who dedicated their lives to form a new Republic, Americans pause to observe a special day and National holiday set aside to remember with dignity and admiration those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation; and
- WHEREAS,** Memorial Day is designated to pay tribute to our American Soldiers who fought and died so that we may live in freedom and maintain the legacy left to us by our forefathers; and
- WHEREAS,** the last Monday in May is set aside to not just mourn those we have lost, but to celebrate them for making the ultimate sacrifice for the greatest cause that the country has ever pursued: one nation, united under God as one people created equal so that we all might live in the land of the free because of the brave; and
- WHEREAS,** it is important to show our gratitude to for all Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, and Merchant Mariners who died in the service to our Nation that we might continue to enjoy the liberties we so deeply cherish; and
- WHEREAS,** from the war to establish this country, the fight of all fights to keep this new nation conceived in liberty united as one, and the World Wars that sent our men and women beyond our borders to help those who could not help themselves, America's heroes have fought for the values and beliefs that make our country admired around the world; and
- WHEREAS,** every grave across our state and country that memorializes a fallen hero also represents the ultimate fight to ensure the vision our Founding Fathers engraved on the Liberty Bell: Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all inhabitants thereof; and
- WHEREAS,** the veterans who fought and died for our country helped preserve the freedoms and rights guaranteed to all people under the U.S. Constitution; and
- WHEREAS,** Memorial Day provides us with the opportunity to reflect and honor the past, to renew and pass on our patriotism, and pay tribute to those who died in service to our country; and
- WHEREAS,** we encourage all residents of the City of South Gate to participate in ceremonies, activities, and programs to demonstrate support, and recognize the contributions of our fallen warriors.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed on this 14th day of May 2024 that **I, Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate,** on behalf of the City Council, do hereby declare **May 27, 2024, as Memorial Day** in tribute and honor to those who lost their lives in the name of freedom.

Gil Hurtado, Mayor

MEMORANDUM

MAY 08 2024

TO: Rob Houston, City Manager

FROM: Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney *RF* *022*

DATE: May 8, 2024

SUBJECT: **CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
MEETING OF MAY 14, 2024**

The following items should be listed on the Closed Session Agenda for the Special City Council Meeting of the City of South Gate on May 14, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.:

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