

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 18, 2014

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROCLAMATION – IRIS FESTIVAL DAY

SOURCE: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES/CITY CLERK DIVISION

COMMENT: At its meeting of October 1, 2013, the Council amended the process by which proclamations are approved. The new process requires that all proclamations must be sponsored by one Council Member, after which the request is then placed on the Council's agenda for consideration and approval by a majority of the Council.

The Chamber of Commerce has requested that the Council consider approval of a proclamation to recognize April 25, 2014 as Iris Festival Day. Mayor Hamilton is sponsoring this proclamation request. If approved, the proclamation will be presented at the City Council meeting on April 15, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider approval of the request to proclaim April 25, 2014 as Iris Festival Day.

- ATTACHMENTS: 1. Proclamation Request
2. Draft Proclamation


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Item No. 07



City of Porterville
REQUEST FOR PROCLAMATION



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CITY OF PORTERVILLE
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Date of Request: 3/7/14

Name of Event/Individual: Iris Festival
Porterville Tourism Week, "Mr. John Doe"

Name of Sponsoring Organization: Porterville Chamber of Commerce

Name of Contact Person: Donnette Silva Carter

Address: 93 N Main St Porterville

Phone: 784-7502 FAX: 784-0770

E-mail: donnette@portervillechamber.org

I would like the proclamation: presented at a Council Mtg. mailed call for pick-up

Date(s) of Event: April 26, 2014

Date of Council Meeting to be presented, if applicable: April 15, 2014
(Council meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month.)

Individual or representative attending Council Meeting to receive proclamation:
Donnette Silva Carter & M. It Stowe

Please attach a sample of your proclamation, or the pertinent information needed to formulate your proclamation 3-4 weeks in advance. If assistance is needed, or if you need a sample provided, or to return this form, contact:

Office of City Clerk
291 North Main Street
Porterville, CA 93257
(559) 782-7464 / Fax (559) 782-7452

All requests require a sponsorship by a member of the Council prior to being placed on a City Council Agenda for consideration, and are subject to approval by a majority of the Council.

City Clerk's Section

Request Received: 3/7/14 Sponsored by: Mayor Hamilton Date: 3/12/14

Approved by Council: yes no Date: _____

Notification to Contact person done (date): _____ in writing by phone

Items (s) mailed _____ faxed _____ picked up _____

Comment: _____

WHEREAS: On January 8, 1963, the City Council of the City of Porterville adopted the Iris as the official flower of the City of Porterville, and

WHEREAS: Spring is traditionally ushered in with the blooming of flowers, and the Porterville Chamber of Commerce presented the first Annual Porterville Iris Festival in April 1999 in Porterville in recognition of the unique beauty of the Iris; and

WHEREAS: This year is the 16th offering of the Iris Festival which has been attended by over 290,000 people over its 15 years;

WHEREAS: Local festivities for the 16th Annual Porterville Iris Festival include a variety of activities which celebrate both the Iris and the attributes of our community; and combine to create a springtime community wide festival; and

WHEREAS: This year the Porterville Iris Festival will again welcome over 25,000 people from Porterville, the surrounding area, throughout California, and beyond; and

WHEREAS: This celebration of the Iris has created a unique opportunity for families, friends, and visitors to join together to enjoy entertainment, arts and crafts, a chili cook-off, activities for children, antiques, a salute to the military, and the Festival of Colors 5K Run presented by Enspirit, Inc.,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cameron Hamilton, Mayor of the City of Porterville, on behalf of the Porterville City Council, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2014, as

"IRIS FESTIVAL DAY"

and urge all citizens of our community to join with the City in celebrating the official City flower, the festivities held in its name, and enjoy Porterville in bloom.

PROCLAIMED this 15th day of April, 2014.

Cameron Hamilton,
Mayor

Brian E. Ward,
Vice Mayor

Virginia R. Gurrola,
Council Member

Pete V. McCracken,
Council Member

Greg Shelton,
Council Member